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ENGLAND BATSMAN IN LUCK.

THE SECOND TEST DRAWN.

HENDREN DROPPED TWICE AT 11.

GOES ON TO SAVE ENGLAND FROM DEFEAT.

"TAIL" COLLAPSES.

Cape Town, Jan. 5.
The Second Test Match was drawn, but England were exceedingly fortunate to escape. The game came to an end with the falling of the last (Hendren's) wicket, England being then only 89 runs on! Given even an hour of play, South Africa might easily have forced a victory.

That they did not was due to costly errors in the field. "Patsy" Hendren was twice missed with his score at eleven, and taking advantage of these let-offs, obtained 86 runs by a determined exhibition. He went in second wicket down and was ninth and last out, Duckworth being absent.

A small crowd saw the resumption this morning in hot weather. The wicket was in good condition, but the batsmen (Wyatt and Hammond) were cautious in the extreme. South Africa bowled splendidly and the struggle was of the grimmest.

Hundred up.

With 58 runs on the board of which he had obtained half, Wyatt fell a victim to Bell, but Hammond and Leyland in partnership had carried the total to 91 for 1 wicket at the lunch interval, Hammond being 36 not out and Leyland 27 not out.

Fourteen runs had been added when the next wicket fell, after which the most promising partnership, that between Hammond and Hendren, began.

Hendren opened, very shakily and with his score at 11, was missed twice. He appeared to take encouragement from his escapes and battled with much more confidence, getting well set.

Hammond Out

One hundred and fifty runs were put up without further loss, but two runs later, a particularly good ball by Vincent deceived Hammond and he put up a simple catch to Deane, the South Africa skipper. Hammond had batted in determined fashion for 3 hours, 26 minutes, and had scored 65 runs. The nature of his effort may be judged from the fact that only twice in the innings did he send the ball to the boundary.

The score had mounted to 181 for 3 wickets by tea-time, the arrears having been wiped off a few minutes before by Hendren and Turnbull. At least the ignominy of an innings defeat had been averted!

Hendren's Brilliance.

England were not safe by any means, however, and but for the magnificent effort of Hendren, who had obtained 39 runs at the tea interval, and went on to make 86, obtaining his last 47 out of 71 runs added after tea for the last six wickets (!) South Africa must have won.

Turnbull scored two further runs and was bowled by McMillan, 184-4-14.

Catterall Does Damage.

White and Hendren were putting useful runs together when Catterall was brought on and met with almost immediate success. He got White out l.b.w. at 22, bowled Feebles before an addition had been made to the total, and then took Chapman's wicket ten runs later, the score-board then reading: 235-7-4.

There was just a bare chance of a sensational win at this stage, but Tate defied the bowling sufficiently long to put defeat out of the question. He scored only three, but his most useful duty was that of holding his end up while Hendren made runs.

Hendren Bowled.

Hendren and Voce came into partnership for the ninth wicket. (Continued on Page 7.)

TYPHOON TOLL.

HEAVY DAMAGES IN PHILIPPINES.

EIGHTY-TWO KILLED.

Manila, Jan. 6.

Eighty-two persons are known to be dead and many more are reported to be missing, as a result of a severe typhoon, which swept the Visayan Islands, some two hundred miles to the south of Manila on Saturday.

Ten steamers and motor-boats were wrecked in the storm and over fifty small sailing boats were lost.

Leyte, Cebu and Negros were the Provinces most severely hit, and the total losses are enormous, as may be gathered from the fact that the damage to property alone is estimated at half a million pesos.

Hundreds of homes have been demolished, bridges have been carried clean away, roads and crops have been destroyed.

Negros, which has suffered very severely, is the richest sugar region in the Philippine Islands.—*Reuter.*

HEAVY INSURANCE LOSSES.

RESULT OF SINKING OF S.S. TRICOLOR.

ARMS FOR CHINA.

London, Jan. 6.
According to the *Daily Telegraph*, the Norwegian steamer *Tricolor*, which was yesterday reported in a message from Colombo to have sunk as the result of an explosion, was carrying arms and ammunition to China.

She was a 6,000-ton vessel registered at Tonsberg. It is understood that the London marine insurance market will lose at least £300,000 including £110,000 on the hull as a result of the sinking of the ship.

Details of the sinking are scanty. Colombo reports state that the origin of the explosion, which occurred a few hours after the ship left Colombo, is unknown, but it is believed that the vessel sank a few minutes after the explosion.

Of the twelve people on board, one is missing, the survivors being taken off by the Messageries Maritimes s.s. *Porthos*.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE WIDOW ROBBED.

ATTACKED AND GAGGED IN KOWLOON.

Mrs. Mishioka, a widow, of Japanese nationality, who describes herself as a manicurist, states she was the victim of a robbery at her home on the first floor of No. 58, Haiphong Road, Kowloon, last night.

A Portuguese and a Japanese, according to her, were the perpetrators of the affair.

On hearing a knock at the door, she opened it to admit the two men. They produced what subsequently turned out to be toy pistols, and forced her back into the room.

A potato was forced into her mouth as a gag, and, resisting violently, she broke a tooth.

The men stole a silver watch and money, amounting to \$150. The police are now investigating the matter.

TIN QUOTA SCHEME APPROVED.

BY CHINESE MINERS IN PERAK.

Singapore, Jan. 5.
An independent meeting of Chinese miners in Perak has unanimously passed a resolution in favour of the tin quota scheme.—*Reuter.*

EARL READING ON FUTURE STATUS OF INDIA.

APPROVES WIDEST REFORMS.

LIBERALS PREPARED TO FACE THE RISKS.

AUTOCRACY ENDED.

London, Jan. 5.
In an important speech this afternoon at a meeting of the Federal Structure Sub-Committee of the Round Table Conference, which amounted to a declaration of the attitude of the Liberal section of the British delegation on the main question before the Sub-Committee, Lord Reading, a former Viceroy of India, warmly associated himself with the opinion expressed by Sir Tej Sapru on Friday that the only cure for distrust was trust.

In a plea for mutual trust between India and Britain, Lord Reading said the question of responsibility and settlement of the Hindu-Muslim controversy were the most important matters before the Conference. Regarding the latter, he expressed the earnest hope that when it came up again it would be found to have been settled amicably.

A New Situation.

Lord Reading devoted his speech solely to the question of responsibility. Since the Princes had declared their intention of joining in a Federal Constitution for all India, a new situation was created, and, as the Prime Minister had said, the declaration had revolutionized the whole aspect of the matter before them.

The Liberal section of the British delegation approached the subject of the responsibility of the Federal Executive and the Federal Legislature with a genuine desire to give effect, as far as they legitimately could, to the views of the British Indian delegation, provided adequate safeguards and reservations were introduced enabling the Government of India to be carried on with reasonable security and protection to all interests, and that the new Constitution would be fairly worked. That was the recommendation which the Liberal section would make to their Party in Parliament.

Dual Government.

The necessary safeguards and reservations were, in fact, very little in advance of those which, it had already been admitted, must be made.

In setting up a federal system, it was inevitable that they should meet complications and difficulties. It was idle to refuse to recognise that at this stage there must be some form of dual Government. Questions like defence, the Army, foreign relations, international obligations, and obligations already undertaken, must be regarded as outside the region of controversy and as reserved subjects. The Viceroy or Governor-General must be responsible to some authority. They could not have an autocrat at the head. Relations with the Princes in dynastic matters, and questions generally referred to in connexion with the paramountcy would also be included among the reserved subjects.

Cabinet Matters.

Regarding the proposals of Sir Tej Sapru, to whose courage and statesmanship he paid a warm tribute, Lord Reading said he broadly approved of setting up a cabinet of seven or eight Ministers in charge of various departments, and the Cabinet should have collective responsibility.

Although at first he hesitated to accept the proposal that two or three Ministers, as advisers in reserved matters, should sit with the Cabinet, on reflection he concluded that it was a good proposal and should be carefully considered. A great advantage would be that all Ministers participating in Cabinet discussions would get to understand each other, and the system would be of considerable benefit in securing unity in the Government.

Undoubtedly, the Governor-General must be President of the Council although he need not always preside. Continuing, Lord Reading said (Continued on Page 5.)

AFFAIRS OF U.S. BANK.

BIG SCANDAL MAY DEVELOP.

OFFICIAL INQUIRY.

New York, Jan. 5.
The sensational failure of the Bank of the United States is being made the subject of a special inquiry by a Grand Jury, the investigation being opened today.

The affair, it is reported, is fraught with possibilities of far-reaching scandals.

The liabilities of the concern are estimated at \$40,000,000 and the depositors included numerous of the less wealthy residents of New York's ghetto, the Italian quarter.

The Attorney-General announced, at the opening of the inquiry, that there had been a lot of insinuations against the directors of the Bank. It had also been asked how the State Banks Superintendent.

AMY JOHNSON STILL DELAYED.

Resumption of Flight Not Yet Possible.

DAMAGE TO ENGINE.

Warsaw, Jan. 5.

Amy Johnson's plane is being brought here for repair, following the mishap when she was forced to land sixty miles from here.

The engine and wing of the plane are damaged, so a resumption of her flight to Peking is at present impossible.—*Reuter.*

EXCHANGE RATE ON LONDON.

N.S.W. ACTION CAUSES SURPRISE.

Melbourne, Jan. 5.

The trading banks and the Commonwealth Bank, which are greatly surprised at the independent action of the Bank of New South Wales in increasing the exchange rate on London to 15 per cent, have hurriedly met and reluctantly decided to increase the rate for telegraphic transfers to £115, for buyers and £115½ for sellers.—*Reuter.*

QUAKES CONTINUE IN GREECE.

THREE HUNDRED HOUSES COLLAPSE.

Athens, Jan. 5.

Three hundred houses collapsed in various villages in the Corinth region as a result of yesterday's earthquake. One person was killed and four injured. Slight shocks continue to be felt, three being experienced in Corfu.—*Reuter.*

DOLLAR'S DECLINE.

The dollar twice fell after the opening quotation yesterday, the closing rate being 1s. 0.9d. It declined a further farthing this morning, opening at 1s. 0.8d.

STRONG PROTEST BY COUNSEL.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY CROWN.

DESCRIBED AS MONSTROUS BY MR. JENKIN.

ARSON TRIAL BREEZE.

An objection against what he termed as the strangest cross-examination he had ever heard of, and which he described as "monstrous," was made by Mr. F. C. Jenkin at the Criminal Sessions this morning before Mr. Justice Wood and a jury, when the arson case was resumed.

His Lordship, however, over-ruled the objection, and permitted Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, counsel for the Crown, to continue his cross-examination.

The incident arose when the third prisoner, Yeung Fu, was being cross-examined by Mr. Fitzroy, after having elected to give his evidence in the witness box yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Jenkin said: "I must protest. This is really the strangest cross-examination I have ever heard, because my friend, in his cross-examination, has not yet put any question which has the slightest relationship to ordinary cross-examination. He is really using this prisoner as a witness for the Crown for the purpose of incriminating the other two men."

Judge Intervenes

His Lordship: "That is the principal reason why I asked Mr. Fitzroy to question him first. The nature of his examination is, technically, a cross-examination, because this witness is not a Crown witness. Seeing that the evidence which this man is giving on his own behalf tended rather to incriminate your men, that was my principal reason, apart from any other general reason, why I invited Mr. Fitzroy to put whatever questions he wanted to put before you cross-examined the witness. I take it that cross-examination really means examination by one side of a witness of the other side. A witness for either side may be friendly or unfriendly. I think that Mr. Fitzroy is entitled to get whatever information he can from this witness."

Mr. Jenkin: "I respectfully submit that this procedure is wholly unprecedented and, also, grossly unfair to this man, although I do not appear for him. The Crown cannot have it both ways. He is now being used as a witness for the Crown and, presently, the Crown will seek to get him convicted by the jury. If the Crown wants him to give this evidence, I submit that they must withdraw against this man and let him be a witness for the Crown, so that he is not in any peril."

"Monstrous" Treatment.

"The Crown is now treating this man favourably as a witness for the Crown against my two clients," added Mr. Jenkin, "and the Crown will, presently, ask the jury to convict him. I submit that that is monstrous."

His Lordship: "I think, at the present stage, he (Mr. Fitzroy) is right in getting any facts from this witness that he can. Will you proceed, Mr. Fitzroy?"

Mr. Fitzroy then proceeded with his questions.

Replying to Mr. Fitzroy's questions, witness said that at No. 77, Wing Lok Street, he cooked for nine people, including first and second prisoners. First prisoner sometimes stayed at No. 77 and second prisoner was sometimes there. Witness went on to speak of the alterations made to the premises, the shifting of the staircase, taking away red, square Canton tiles from the first floor, building a cubicle on the first floor and a cockloft. During these operations, he said, first prisoner was there, but he could not remember whether second prisoner was present. Witness said that he had seen the first prisoner on the premises during the week before the fire, but he could not remember if second prisoner had also been there.

The case is proceeding.

A fine of \$400, with the alternative of three months' hard labour, was imposed by Mr. Lindell, at the Central Police Court this morning, on a Chinese who was arrested in Wing Shing Street in possession of 489 heroin pills.

CABINET TO MEET ON COAL ISSUE.

SOUTH WALES OWNERS ARE CALLED TO LONDON.

MR. COOK'S WARNING.

London, Jan. 5.

"We are looking to the Government to take action. If they don't it will be their funeral!" declared Mr. A. J. Cook, general secretary of the National Miners' Federation, prior to the conference of officials of the South Wales Miners' Federation with Mr. Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, and Mr. E. Shinwell, the Minister for Mines.

Mr. Cook added that a serious national development was possible unless the South Wales' dispute was soon settled.

At the conclusion of the conference between the miners' leaders and the Government representatives, it was officially announced that the representatives of the South Wales' coal-owners had been invited to London to-morrow, to meet Mr. Graham and Mr. Shinwell "with a view to submitting a full report on the situation to the Cabinet."

The miners' leaders desire the Government to induce the owners in South Wales to accept the recommendations of the National Industrial Board regarding the operation of the spreadover system in South Wales.

Hitherto, the South Wales owners have declined to recognise the Board, or its recommendations.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

RUSSIA'S RELATIONS WITH CHINA.

SOVIET CONSULATES MAY BE REOPENED.

Mukden, Jan. 5.

The promise of "far-reaching effects on the political relations between the Manchurian and Soviet Governments is contained in a report that the Soviet Consul-General at Mukden is negotiating with the authorities at Mukden to obtain the consent of the Manchurian Government to the reopening of the Soviet Consulates at Peking and Tientsin.

The Manchurian Provincial Government has dispatched several telegrams to Nanking seeking the advice of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and some quarters here believe that it is likely that Nanking will consent to the Soviet request.

NEW OIL CONTRACTS IN D.E.I.

POLICY OF THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT.

The Hague, Jan. 5.

In a statement with regard to the projected law for the issue of new oil contracts in the Dutch Indies, the Government declares that in the next few years no need will arise for any further considerable increase in the oil-producing districts.

Due consideration will, however, be given to outstanding applications for rights to drill for oil where the interests concerned have hitherto not had sufficient opportunity to extend their works, and where there is a certainty of proper preparation and prospects of effective exploitation and selling organisation.—*Reuter.*

NEW GOVERNOR OF KANSU.

GENERAL KOO CHU-TUNG TO BE APPOINTED.

Shanghai, Jan. 5.

In recognition of his services to the Government during the recent Nanking-Shansi war, the State Council has decided to appoint General Koo Chu-tung, Civil Governor of Kansu Province. His appointment was suggested by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. Kansu is a vast Province situated in North-Western China and was for many years controlled by Marshal Feng Yu-shiang. Simultaneously, the State Council intends to appoint General Ho Ying-ching as Defence Commissioner of North-Western China.

BRITISH NAVAL RATINGS REFUSE ORDERS.

INCIDENT ABOARD H.M.S. LUCIA.

COURT OF INQUIRY OPENS AT DEVONPORT.

MEN'S GRIEVANCE.

It is now revealed that the arrest of thirty naval ratings aboard H.M.S. Lucia, at Devonport, followed serious breaches of discipline, already the subject of a secret inquiry. It is alleged that the men, discontented over the loss of week-end leave, refused duty, shutting themselves below.

The Admiralty states that no charges have yet been made against any of the crew. If it is thought necessary to place the men, or any of them, before a court-martial, the trial will be held in public.

London, Jan. 5.
The Admiralty has issued a communique stating that on Sunday morning, January 4, an infraction of discipline occurred on board the submarine depot ship, H.M.S. Lucia, which was due to join the Atlantic Fleet, and following orders requiring the crew to work on Sunday morning.

Refuse to Obey Orders.

"Thirty of the seamen so far forgot their duty as to remain below and shut themselves in when ordered to parade upon deck for duty."

The men were placed under arrest and taken in custody to the Naval Barracks, at Devonport.

The Admiralty states that bad weather had delayed the unloading of the Lucia, thus leaving only a very short period in which to prepare to join the Atlantic Fleet.

Leave Stopped.

This precluded the usual week-end leave and necessitated the crew working on Sunday morning. The men have been replaced by others preparatory to the departure of the Lucia to join the Atlantic Fleet in exercises.

Alleged Grievance.

The fact that although the submarines accompany the ships of the Atlantic Fleet on cruises, the personnel of the submarines (for various reasons connected with their duties) do not get as much Christmas leave as the men of the Atlantic Fleet, is believed to underlie the trouble aboard the Lucia.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, who is now holidaying on the South Coast, told an interviewer that the matter was not of sufficient importance to demand immediate official action by him.

It would be dealt with in accordance with the usual Service procedure.

Court Adjourned.

The Admiralty stated this morning that the Commander-in-Chief of Devonport Dockyard, Admiral Sir Hubert Brand, would hold an inquiry to-day, and it was later learned that a Court of Inquiry is now taking evidence under the presidency of Captain Horton, of H.M.S. Resolution.

The Court sat all day to-day, adjourned until tomorrow and will probably sit for some little time after that.

The Admiralty states that up to the present no charge has been made against anyone. Further action will depend upon the result of the investigations at the Court of Inquiry, which is being held behind closed doors, and which will require consideration. If a court-martial results, this will be held in public.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

SALT TAX CONTROL.

Nanking, Jan. 5.

The Executive Council announced this morning that as from March 1st, the Finance Ministry will take over the control of all salt administration and revenue in the Yangtze Valley. It is expected that taxes on salt will be increased from March 1st, and that the salt on salt will be abolished.

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LONG DISTANCE FLIGHT.

AUSTRALIAN'S HONGKONG ROMANCE.

Brisbane, Nov. 17.
Ambitiously hoping to break
Air-Commodore Kingsford Smith's
record, Mr. C. W. A. Scott, a
well-known Queensland flying
officer and instructor of the
Queensland Aero Club, will
attempt a flight from England to
Australia about the middle of
March.

He will leave Brisbane on
December 30 for England, and
already has purchased a Puma
Moth machine specially equipped
for the long flight, and has
mapped out alternative routes.
Night flying will be resorted to
by Mr. Scott in his gigantic task.

Mr. Scott hopes to arrive in
England on February 13 on his
birthday. The date of his depar-
ture from Croydon will be deter-
mined by the weather reports, but
he hopes to leave about the middle
of March, just before full moon.
This will give him an opportunity
to do night flying, and on the
assumption that there will be a
full moon he plans to fly for at
least one night between Bushire
and Karachi. Additional night
flying will be dictated by neces-
sity.

Born in London, Mr. Scott has
had an adventurous life. He is
of the younger generation which
was only old enough to be at
school during the war. Immedi-
ately after leaving college he
went to Demerara, in South
America, where he was engaged
in sugar planting. Three years
later he returned to England and
joined the Royal Air Force, rising
to the rank of flying officer. He
was attached to the 23rd Fighting
squadron, and during his term
passed with honours a naviga-
tor. Following a course of
night flying in the days when it
was hazardous to do so, Mr. Scott
was one of three specially selected
in 1924 and 1925 to give demon-
strations of night flying over
Wembley Exhibition. After a
service of 4½ years in the Air
Force, Mr. Scott planned to settle
on the Gold Coast of Africa.

While on furlough, however, he
visited Australia and there became
interested in the western service
inaugurated by Qantas Ltd. from
Brisbane. Despite his intention
of abandoning flying as an occupa-
tion, the service appealed to him,
and he became one of the famous
pilots of Qantas whose names are
household words in the State, and
in every town along the route he
is welcomed by residents who
affectionately greet him as
"Scotty," and everywhere he is
recognised as one of the most
careful and competent pilots in
Australia. Not long ago "Scotty"
visited Hongkong on furlough, and
he there met Miss Kathleen
O'Neill, a native of Melbourne,
who also was on holiday.

They became engaged and were
married on their return to
Australia. When Rosemary,
daughter of the happy couple, was
born, the proud father made a
record flight from Brisbane to
Melbourne, flying 1,040 miles in a
standard Moth machine in 1
hour, 25 minutes, performed in
one day.

In piloting Air Marshal Sir
John Salmond from Darwin to
Adelaide, Mr. Scott covered the
distance in a time that has not
been beaten, including a detour
from Alice Springs to Hermanns-
berg and back. Mr. Scott flew
2,100 miles on the trip in 52
hours.

The actual mileage flown,
another record to his credit, was
established when he flew with a
special representative of the Daily
Mail to Darwin to meet Miss Amy
Johnson. The journey of 1,969
miles was made in six hops in 16
hours, 10 minutes. Not even
Kingsford Smith, when returning
from the England-Australia flight,
could lower that record.

Although of a different charac-
ter, "Scotty" is proud of still
another record. During his asso-
ciation with the Royal Air Force
he achieved fame as the light

heavyweight boxing champion of
the Force.

In his flying career, Mr. Scott
has used 30 different types of
machines.

BIG CINEMA CO. FORMED HERE.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S ENTERPRISE.

With the purpose of making
silent and talking Chinese cinema
pictures, establishing one studio
in Hongkong and two in Shanghai,
some local Chinese merchants, in-
cluding Sir Robert Ho Tung, have
taken keen interest in the forma-
tion of a cinema manufacturing
company known as the United
Photoplay Service Limited with a
capital of a million dollars. This
company claims vast connexion
between its Directors and cinema
houses in Canton, Hongkong,
Tientsin, Peking and Shanghai,
while its Managing Director, Mr.
Lo Ming-yau is understood to be
the owner and manager of several
of the biggest cinema houses in
Peking, Tientsin and North China
ports. Madame Chang Hsueh-
liang, wife of the Commander-in-
Chief of the Manchurian armies,
has taken a keen interest in the
formation of this company.

Mukden Interest.
Madame Chang was instru-
mental in the establishment of a
cinema palace at Mukden last
year, at a cost of \$200,000, and it
is interesting to note that this
theatre is under the management
of the brother of Mr. Lo. Sir
Robert Ho Tung, who has been
elected to serve as Chairman on
the Board of Directors of the
United Photoplay Service Limited,
visited Mukden sometime ago and
is a personal friend of the Man-
churian Commander-in-Chief.

Mr. Lo Wan-kan, former Peking
Minister of Finance and Foreign
Affairs to the Northern Govern-
ment, who has spent much time of
late in promoting industrial enter-
prises in North China is the uncle
to Mr. Lo Ming-yau. Mr. Lo Wan-
kan is the owner of cinema houses
in Manchuria and, as founder of
the United Photoplay Service
Limited, he is directing affairs for
this concern in Manchuria. An-
other interesting figure in con-
nexion with the formation of this
company is Mr. Mei Lan-tong, the
famous Chinese actor on the
North China stage, who toured
America with great success last
year.

Three Studios.
The Company desires to open
two studios at Shanghai, a third
studio in Hongkong and a fourth
one in Tientsin. The two studios
in Shanghai were opened some-
time ago, the Company having ac-
quired the equipment and ma-
chinery of the defunct Man Sun
and Tai Chung Wah Cinema
Manufacturing Companies at a
cost of a little over \$100,000. The
Hongkong studio is located at the
Ming Yuen Garden, at North
Point, and is still in the course of
formation. As the majority of the
founders and Directors of this
concern are owners and managers
of cinema houses in China, it
claims to have connexion with
over seventy cinema theatres.

Cost of Production.
Under the personal direction of
Mr. Lo, the United Photoplay Ser-
vice Limited have produced, at its
Shanghai studios, two pictures,
namely, "The Reminiscence of
Peking," and "Wayside Flowers."
While the former was a silent
picture, the latter has musical ac-
companiment, and was shown
with great success at the World
Theatre not long ago.

Mr. Lo states that he estimates
with confidence that even for
silent pictures the company can
earn a profit of over \$10,000 a
picture.

It is the intention of the Com-
pany to construct more modern
cinema houses in the leading cities
in China in the near future, as
soon as the three studios are es-
tablished.

The Managing Director of this
Company is shortly to tour the
Straits Settlements to explore the
possibilities of extending the
sphere of activities there. He
estimates that with the high rates
of foreign exchanges which will

heavyweight boxing champion of
the Force.

In his flying career, Mr. Scott
has used 30 different types of
machines.

STUDIES FROM THE CAMERA.

EXHIBITION OF PHOTO- GRAPHY AT THE UNIVERSITY.

Reaching a particularly high
standard, both in technique and
artistry, the photographic exhibi-
tion, held in connexion with the
Hongkong University Photo-
graphic Club, which opened yes-
terday, is especially interesting,
and well repays a visit to the
Varsity Union to view.

The exhibits, though numerous,
do not suffer lack of quality, and
indeed, it requires a very keen eye
to discern any faults or weakness
in the majority of the exhibits.
Landscapes, as is usual with de-
votees of the camera, form the
favourite subjects, but so varied
are they, and so extremely well
selected, that re-production is al-
most negligible. Studies, both
local and homelike, are depicted
and, apart from the artistic and
more technical viewpoint, remain
interesting by reason of contrast.
There are some remarkable
studies in the Genre class, parti-
cularly brilliant being the sepi-
a exhibit of "Night Terror" and
"Peking Dust." Another very fine
study is that of "Coming Events,"
being notable for its light and
shade effects.

Portraiture is also well display-
ed, as well as Still Life, and the
judges, Mr. E. A. Von Kola
Nagel, Mrs. M. O. Pfister and Dr.
H. Suhg, had no easy task in mak-
ing their decisions.

The leading awards were made
to the following:

Genre.
Class A.—First Place, Dr. T. C.
Lau, (three awards), P. A. Dragon
(two awards), Alfred Lock.

First.—Henrich Lueer; Second,
A. Abbas.

Portraits.
1st.—J. K. Yamada; 2nd., P. A.
Dragon.

Still Life.
1st.—P. A. Dragon; 2nd., Hen-
rich Lueer.

School Class.
Landscape.—First, Chan Kwok-
leung; Second, Chan Kwok-leung.

Portrait.
First, Kwok Kung-kan; Second,
Kwok Kung-kan.

Still Life.
First, Kwok Tsung-tsing; Sec-
ond, A. R. Abbas.

Genre.
First, Kwok Tsung-tsing; Sec-
ond, Ng Shui-hee.

Class B.
Landscape.—First, Khoo Fun-
yong; Second, Kwok Tsung-tsing.

Portrait.
First, V. Enok; Second, Wong
Kai-kuen.

Still Life.
First, Khoo Fun-yong; Second,
Y. W. Choong.

Genre.
First, Kwok Tsung-tsing; Sec-
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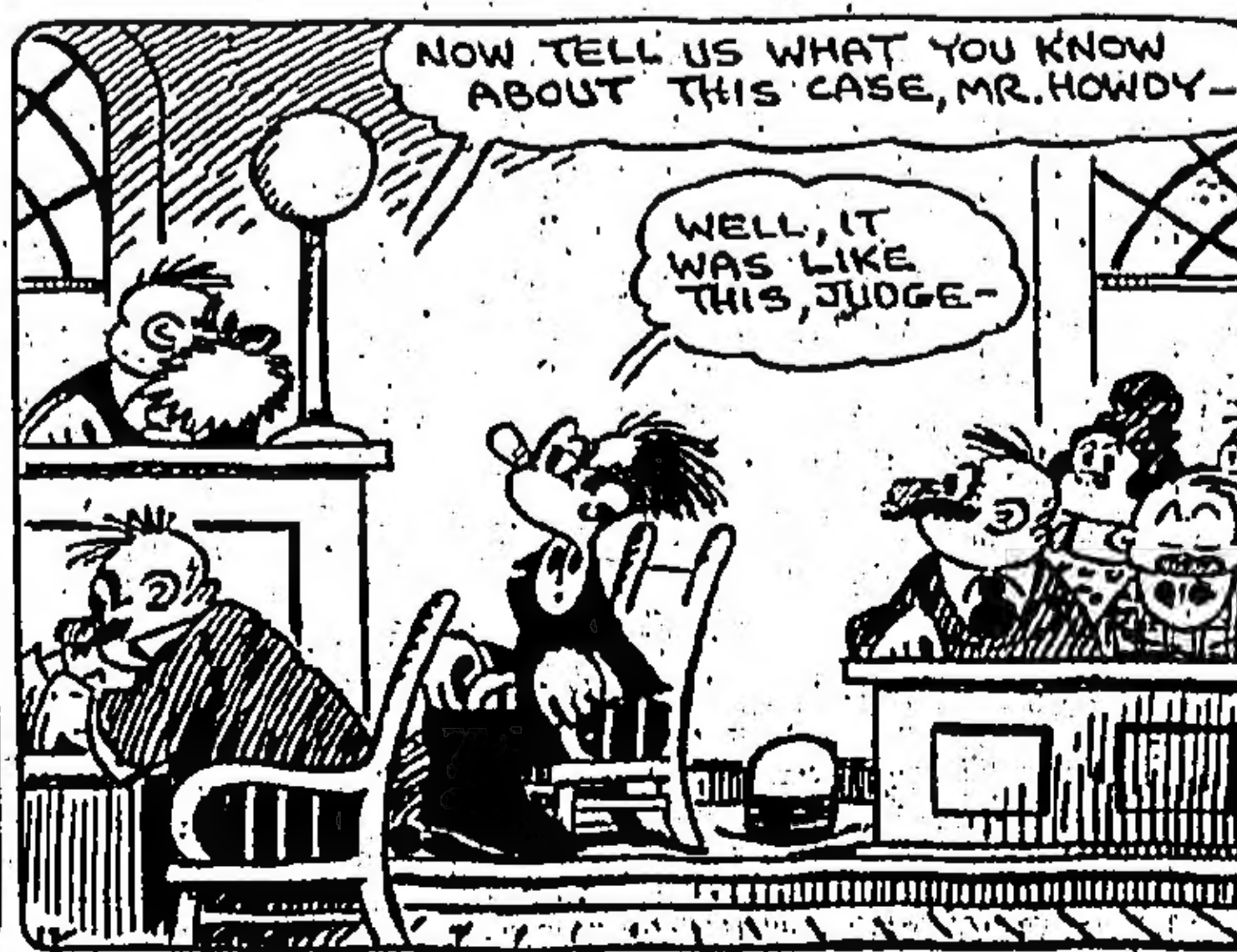
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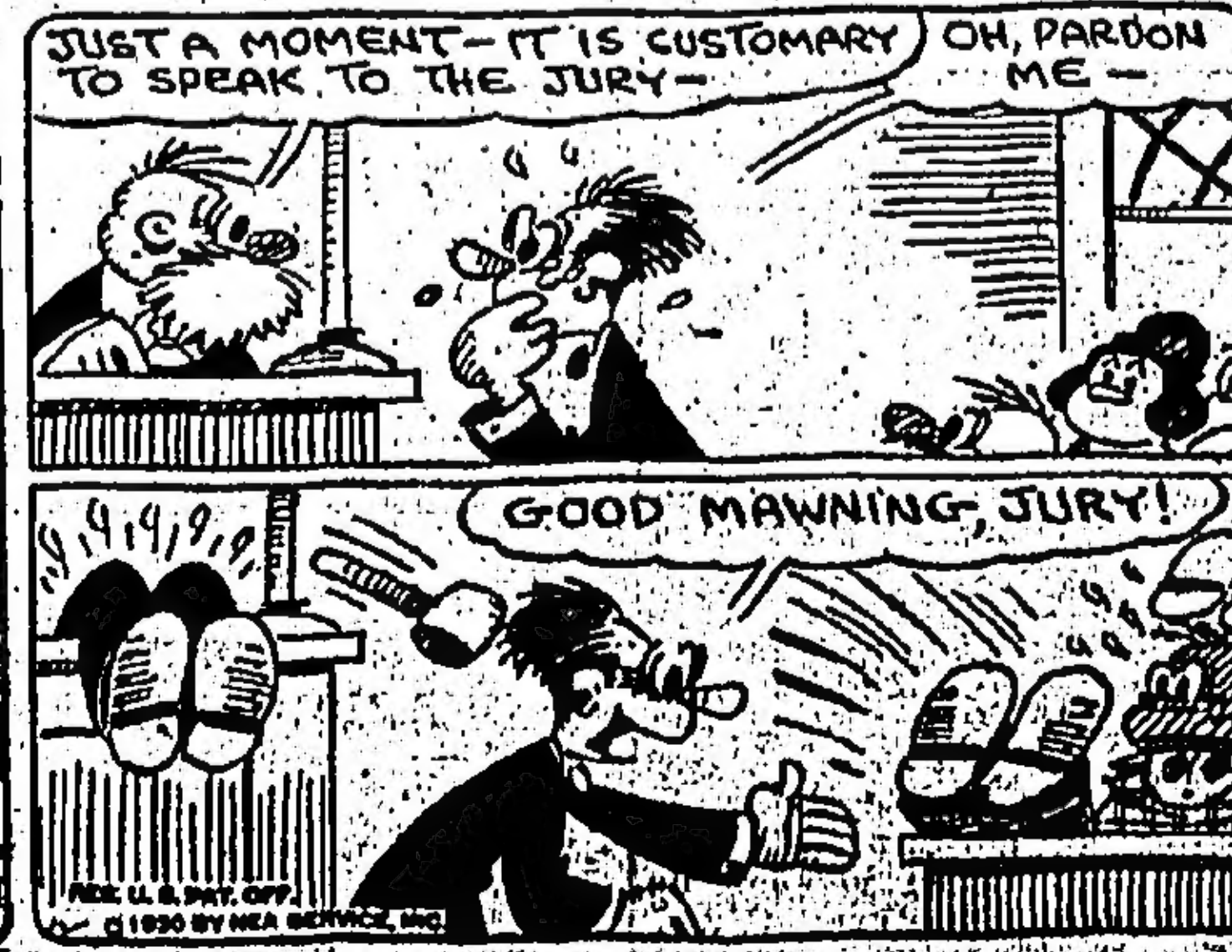
SALESMAN SAM



Good Night



By Small





St. Andrew's Day was observed at Eton College, and the usual games took place—The Wall Game—Collegers v Oppidans—in progress. Neither side scored. (Times copyright.)



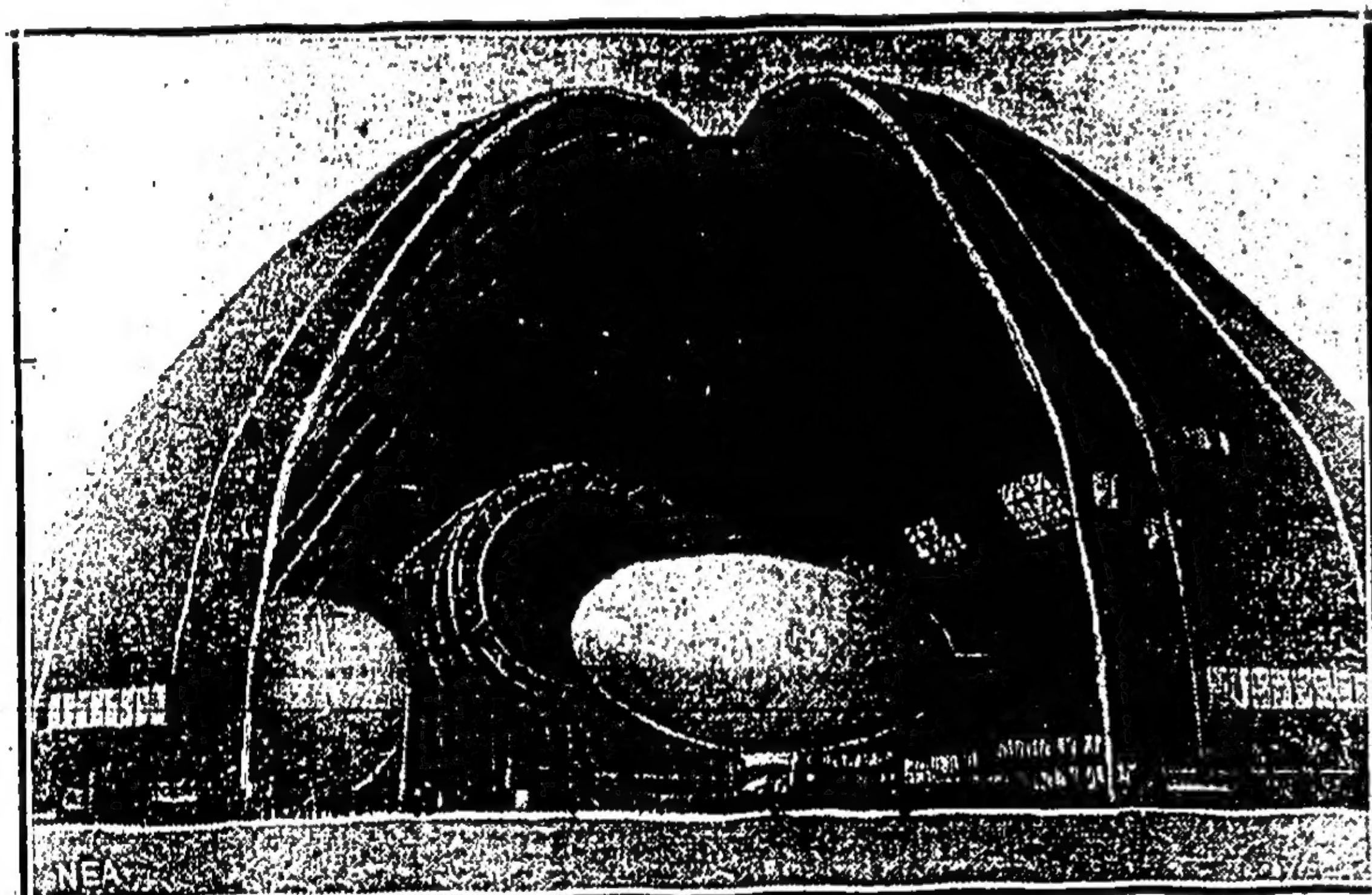
The Governor of Macao and his wife. He is reported to be retiring shortly.



Gas explosions at Johnstown, Pa. injured eighteen persons, and wrecked a large apartment building, shown above after the incident.



The Cougars won the Pacific Coast Football Conference recently by defeating the University of Washington 3-0, in the last match of their programme, in which they escaped defeat.



The giant hangar of the Good-Year Company at Akron Ohio, showing the "front door" open. The framework of a new airship building can be seen in the background.



Veterans of the American Civil War played a golf match recently to finally decide an argument as to whether Grant or Sherman was the better general.



Fredk. Pohl (left) and Max Reik, who are attempting to journey from San Francisco to Uruguay in a canoe. Twice the craft has come safely through storms. The picture was taken at Los Angeles, the first lap.



Amelia Earheart, above, the Transatlantic flier, is reported to be marrying George P. Putnam, below, the well-known publisher.



June Lady Inverclyde, the famous actress, who is suing her husband for the annulment of their marriage, celebrated in 1929. June may return to the stage, it is reported, though it has been decided that English courts are not competent to deal with the divorce suit.

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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Dainty Dresses in Crepe-de-chine.



Here are three typical examples of charming little crepe de chine frocks. The first is a simple graceful model in claret-red crepe. The second illustrates the effectiveness of fine black and white check crepe with a draped white collar. Last comes the black dress trimmed with tucked white georgette lightly embroidered in black silk.

WHO PAYS?

What has happened to the fifty-fifty movement as regards expenses, when a woman goes joy-making with a man?

Did it end in acquiescence on the part of the man, or was it more a futile effort on the part of Eve to prove her readiness to pay her way, and did it fizzle out, leaving the other sex still with the privilege of footing the bill?

This is the question recently asked by a girl, who evidently wanted to pay, but did not know whether she should or should not offer to do so.

Everyone must admire the girl who wants to share expenses, but in reality it is often a most difficult matter to arrange.

However, in these days of women's clubs, it is often possible to do one's share of entertaining satisfactorily by their means, and it is, too, possible, to book seats at the theatre, or for good concerts, and, in that way, pay one's debt.

One cannot help thinking that in small matters like car fares, a man still likes to be expected to do the paying; and it is better for Eve to leave him to it, and make up in some other way.

UNIQUE ASHTRAY SET.

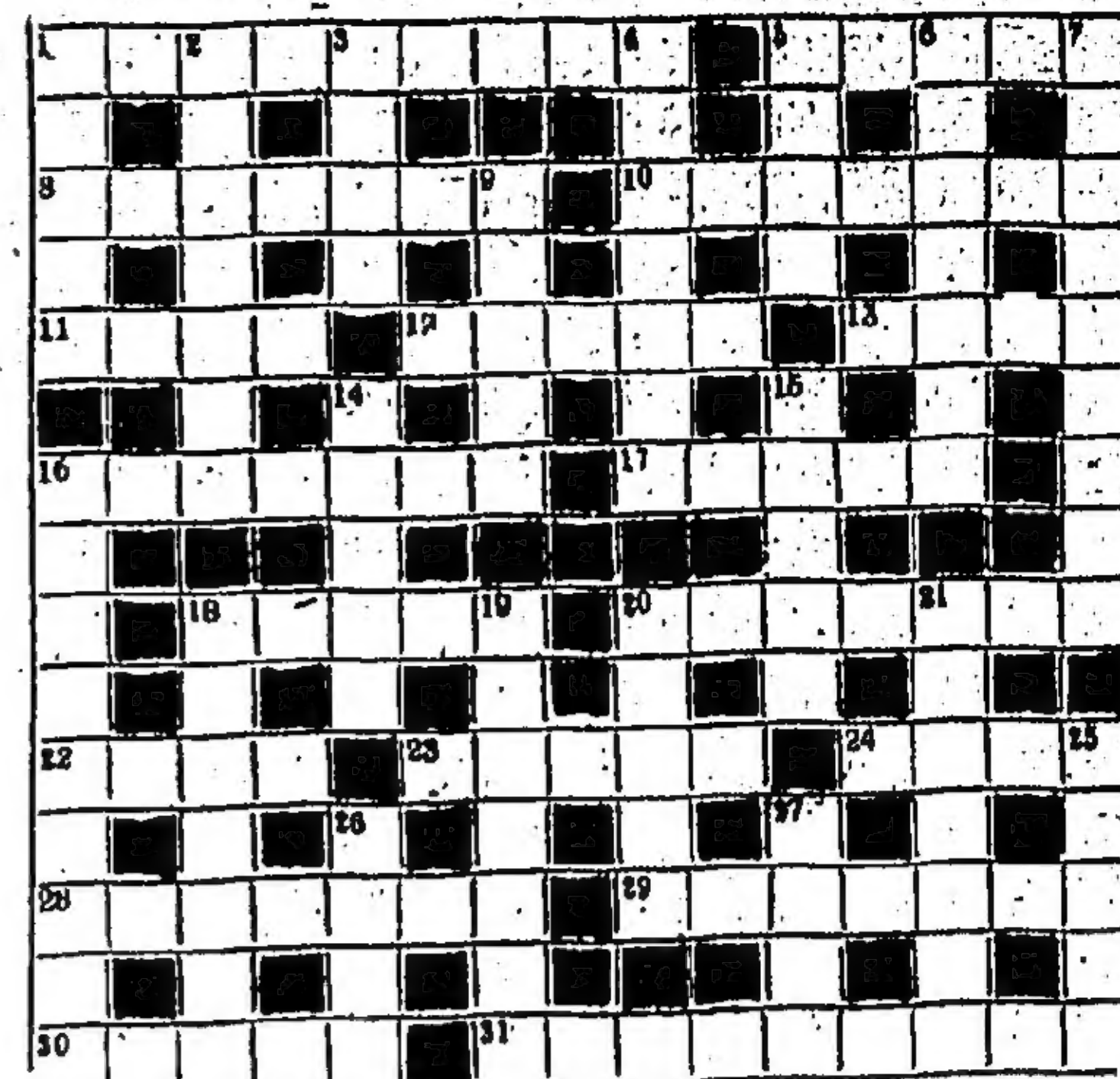
A charming gift for the woman smoker consists of a set of four ashtrays of Syrian jade in a case of delicate rose quartz. The trays are circular in shape, and can be used separately.

A Smart Model.



The smartest coat of the season—in black moire faced with oyster-coloured satin. Note the fitted upper part, the flared skirt part, the wrap-over front, the stand-up collar, the single deep revers, and the gauntlet cuffs.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 "A raid on it" (anag.).
- 2 If you ask for this at the butcher's you'll get it in the neck.
- 3 "Love in a palace is perhaps at last—Moro, grievous—than a hermit's fast."—Keats' "Lamia."
- 4 A deadly weapon.
- 5 What natural phenomenon carries its own greeting?
- 6 Rasp this and you'll be sorry there's no cream.
- 7 Cap a remark of his and he'll cap two remarks of yours (hidden).
- 8 A plum is occupied in the end.
- 9 Illumination of but little weight.
- 10 Say this adjective twice and you will indicate a large dispenser of wrath.
- 11 The fate of this vessel centres round its rig.
- 12 Ten this may be maintained.
- 13 Vibrate it for immortal words.
- 14 What part of a plant will check?
- 15 This vessel carries a ray cargo.
- 16 When one is in one's this, things are likely to go well.
- 17 An I O U must not be this.
- 18 "I dug sides" (anag.).

Down

- 1 This set of teeth has a catch—with a different head it can be struck.
- 2 Not a thrilling occupation, no matter how highly coloured the yarns may be.
- 3 Part of a valet's wages.
- 4 Ancient land in a comparatively modern country is quite normal.

- 5 As this will give confidence. Perform again.
- 6 "Queer toga" might make anyone look so (anag.).
- 7 Run in a particular direction—with an end in view.
- 8 Leered.
- 9 Something won, more than once.
- 10 Under the influence of spirits.
- 11 Starts in bitterness though brave and gay when done.
- 12 Descriptive of the blade of a pier.
- 13 An unsteady light.
- 14 When he confronts this, courage is lacking.
- 15 Chess players who are matched are sure to be this.
- 16 "It's dogged as does it," might be the motto of those who do this.
- 17 The Indian bull.

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YOUR CHILDREN.

(By Olive Roberts Barton.)

We know now that fear is the greatest handicap of the human race.

I think it has been decided that the advantages of a fear-ruled world are less than a world in which people move and behave well for higher reasons.

That most people, and most children, obey social law and political law only because they are afraid not to is upheld by some as a good thing. "The discipline of fear is," they remark without qualification, "the only way to prevent people from running amuck and becoming savages."

Well, perhaps it is at present. Older people can make their own adjustments to that.

But with children we cannot have the discipline of fear without injuring the tender fabric of emotional and mental stability. After that, when they are grown, let them develop whatever thousand and one fears they like. They are formed by that time and there is less danger of breaking down something infinitely precious in their souls.

Respect Is Not Fear.

Fear in childhood has no place. Respect is different, a healthy regard for authority, because authority is right, but not dread of it.

And so we now look at discipline from this angle.

These points we have: the best discipline is obtained by early start, regular habit, praise, co-operation, and few commands well chosen that permit a certain freedom of action within their circle. Also gradually educating the child into the meaning of what is right and what is wrong as he

develops mentally and can understand. He won't learn all at once and he must be told many many times over.

Now we shall see what fear does.

A little child misbehaves. Perhaps he does something for the first time.

He is scolded, perhaps smacked. He is told, "You must not do that."

Two Mistakes.

Very well, he discovers now that unpleasantness goes with certain things he does, but he is confused. Some things are all right. He never gets punished for them. But others, to his perplexity, bring swift retribution.

This is not surprising because he has not reached the stage where he can tell by his own reasoning what is good and what is wrong. A child of two or three reasons very little.

As he is powerless to tell the difference, he lumps them all. He makes up his mind after a few punishments that he must either do things secretly without being discovered or that he must lie. Both fatal things, of course.

That is one black mark against early fear-discipline. Another is that if he is pliable enough he will lose all interest in experimenting, and experiment is his natural birthright and a normal process. The death of self-confidence is spelled right here. He becomes a quiet little piece of furniture without impulse. Spiritually, mentally dead.

Breaking "spirit" does not happen always after a child has developed will, but too frequently before the will has had a chance to sprout. Let will develop. A character without it is watery and insipid. Guide it, suggest to it, get its co-operation, but do not kill it. With justice and reason and love on both sides, there will be little trouble.

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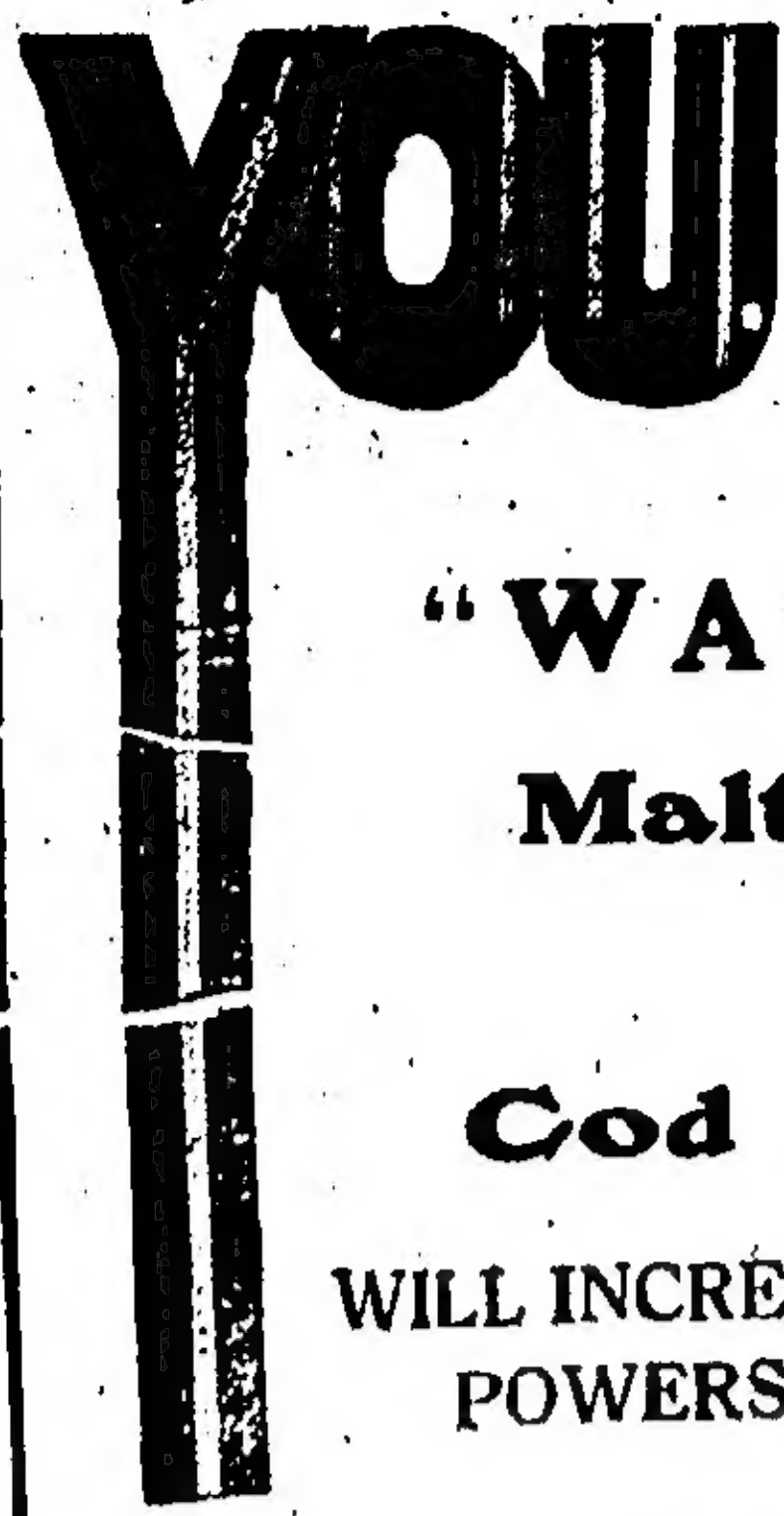
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WHAT THE LIBERALS ARE THINKING.

Liberals writers and speakers
are, we see from the Home news-
papers, concentrating at the mo-
ment on the necessity of preserv-
ing Free Trade and also on the
desirability of getting the Elec-
toral Reform Bill placed on the
Statute Book without delay. Some
of their critics have put forward
the view that electoral reform
may not be essential to the pre-
servation of Free Trade, and that
the Government could be kept in
office without a *quid pro quo* which
is being widely represented as a
corrupt bargain. This, in turn,
has raised the question as to how
long Liberals must save the Gov-
ernment from defeat in order to
keep the Protectionists out. On
this point, some have argued that
by keeping the Government in
office, Liberals are only postpon-
ing the evil day and are involving
Liberalism in the growing un-
popularity of the Government,
which may ultimately crash, with
Free Trade among the wreckage.

What may be regarded as the
attitude of many members of the
Liberal Party on these points has
just been voiced by one of the
leading political reviews, which
says the attraction of the Alterna-
tive Vote is not that it would
secure a fair representation of
Liberal electors in Parliament,
which is uncertain—although it is
hoped that it may have that effect
—but that it would secure the de-
feat of Protectionism, unless
there were a definite majority for
it in the constituencies. The dan-
ger which these Liberals foresee
that is a Government representing
a minority of the electors, like the
Conservative administration of
1924-29, might carry out a fiscal
revolution against the judgment
of the majority merely by reason
of the crudity of the country's
electoral laws. The Alternative
Vote, it is felt, will remove that
menace, and it is therefore held
that in view of the Government's
intention to carry that measure
into law, it is in the public in-
terest for Liberals to exercise the
utmost tolerance and restraint
while it is passing through its
various stages. In some quarters,
it is assumed that the House of
Lords will reject the Electoral
Reform Bill. That is open to
doubt, but, in view of the possi-
bility, it is hinted that this would
constitute a very strong incentive

for Free Traders to keep the Gov-
ernment in office during the two
years which would be required to
force the measure through under
the terms of the Parliament Act.

The Nation, in commenting on
this aspect of the matter, says no-
one can foresee whether circum-
stances would permit, or tempora-
rily stand the strain of such an enter-
prise, adding that if it were en-
dured through, much more would be
achieved than a reform of the elec-
toral law; "It would mean that
the sane progressive forces of the
country were virtually reunited." There is no vital topic in politics
to-day, says this journal, on which
it is possible to say that all
Liberals hold one opinion and all
Labour men another; hence it is
argued that co-operation is possi-
ble without the sacrifice of politi-
cal integrity or of vital prin-
ciples. There should, it adds, be
no pact, nor any need for one. It
is illuminating to get these re-
flections of current political
thought at Home, as they help to
throw some light on developments
which we, so far away from the
centre, are liable to misconstrue.
Without doubt, the immediate fate
of the Government lies in Liberal
hands; the point of interest is
when, if at all, a really serious
breach will reveal itself.

A P.W.D. Comparison.

The work of gutter reconstruc-
tion now proceeding in Lower
Albert Road measures the effect
in the Public Works Department
of a fatal accident to a Euro-
pean. It is not, of course, a
matter for criticism. The vision
of the P.W.D. getting "a move on"
is as pleasant as it is unusual.
Our main interest, however, lies
with the apt comparison which
Government energy on this partic-
ular work permits to be drawn.
While the old gutter is torn up and
deposited on the roadside, reduc-
ing the normal width of the road
by a couple of feet, the difficulty
experienced by motor vehicles,
more particularly buses, in nego-
tiating the half-pin bend from
Upper Albert Road, is greatly
accentuated. The popular Austin
Seven makes the turn with a fair
degree of comfort. Large cars
and the twenty-passenger vehicles
of the bus company as often as
not are required to be put into
reverse before their drivers can
complete the turn. Users of the
road are aware, of course, that
the trouble is not solely due to the
fact that the roadside is at present
"up." The bend in normal condi-
tion is recognised as one of the
most dangerous in the whole
Colony if the greatest precautions
are not observed. One of these
days, a very serious accident will
occur there. Brakes will slip
without warning on a wet day and
a bus will charge the iron railing
on the south side of Lower Albert
Road and take the almost sheer
seventy-foot drop beyond. At the
Coroner's inquest, the jury will re-
commend reconstruction of the
corner, and the P.W.D. with
unusual celerity and with the
approval of H.E. the Governor will
take a slice of about fifteen feet
from the garden of Government
House and provide comparative
safety within a week or two. It is
unfortunate that the work cannot
be done before. There is as yet no
real proof of the danger, and the
urgency cannot well appear until
such proof is forthcoming. We
believe it is nine or ten years since
a proposal for work on the lines
suggested was approved by
Government!

CANTON BLAZE.

GOOD WORK BY FIRE BRIGADE.

Canton, Jan. 5.
The residents of Shamoon, the
Shakee Island and adjacent streets,
were aroused into last night by the
sound of many fire-engines which
were called out when the alarm was
given that a fire had broken out in
San Kee Ching, Middle York Street.
The fire originated in the resi-
dence of Mr. Kin Yuen, who oc-
cupied the top floor flat. Adjoin-
ing premises were slightly involved,
but, thanks to the splendid work of
the Canton Fire Brigade in keeping
the fire confined, a very serious con-
flagration was averted.
—Most, if not all, the insurance
risks are borne by Chinese com-
panies.—Our Own Correspondent.

DAY BY DAY

THE GREAT DIFFICULTY SURROUND-
ING MOST SOCIAL QUESTIONS IS THAT
THE GREAT MASS OF THE PEOPLE ARE
INDIFFERENT.—J. G. Simpson.

Mr. R. Shim, formerly Head-
master of Ying Wah College, has
been appointed Manager for Hong-
kong of the Asia Life Insurance
Company.

Lieut-General Sir A. E. War-
drop, who was formerly in command
of the British forces in North
China, has been appointed Colonel
Commandant, Royal Artillery.

Falling down the staircase of his
home at No. 122, Johnston Road,
Wanchai, yesterday, Lee Woo (41),
a hawker suffered injuries from
which he died two hours later at the
Government Civil Hospital.

Accidentally struck on the head
yesterday by a pick, Li Sam (30),
working at a concrete mixer at
Shekai-pui, where the new dam is
being built, suffered fatal injuries.
He died while being taken to hospi-
tal.

Rescued by a man who is his brother-in-law, Leung Tai-tai (16),
living on a Kowloon godown lighter,
No. 66, was taken to the Kwong
Wah Hospital yesterday after he
had attempted suicide by throwing
himself into the harbour.

For not keeping to the roads
specified in his learner's licence, a
Chinese motor cyclist, who colli-
ded with a rickshaw in Queen's Road
recently, was fined \$10 by Mr.
Lindell at the Central Police
Court this morning. It was stated
that damage to the extent of about
\$4 was caused to the rickshaw.

Action is being taken by the
authorities against purveyors of in-
decent pictures. For the second
time recently, Inspector J. Murphy,
of the Secretariat for Chinese Af-
fairs, appeared at the Central Ma-
gistracy this morning where he
applied for the confiscation of a
lot of postcards of an objectionable
character which he seized yester-
day during a visit to a shop in Des
Voeux Road Central. The neces-
sary order was given by Mr. Wil-
liams.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cabled quotations
at the close of the sugar markets
yesterday have been received by
Messrs. Pentreath and Co.:—

London Terminals.

March 5/8½ up 3½d.
May 5/10½ up 3½d.
August 6/1½ up 3½d.
December 6/6 up 4d.

New York Terminals.

March 1.27 up 5 pts.
May 1.64 up 3 pts.
July 1.41 up 3 pts.
September 1.49 up 3 pts.
December 1.56 up 3 pts.

Cubans 96% C. I. F., U.K. can
probably sell 5/6 prompt shipment.

London 5/1/31.—Advance in
market, owing to Chadbourne going
to Berlin, in order to meet Con-
tinental Producers Wednesday. If
agreement is reached market will
probably advance, but do not think
advanced prices will be maintained
unless Java party to agreement.

SIAMESE RICE CROP.

FIRST OFFICIAL FORECAST ISSUED.

The first official forecast issued
by the Ministry of Commerce and
Communications of the yield of
the 1930 rice crop in the Seven
Inner Circles is 49,530,000 piculs
of padi, or 2,450,000 tons, from
which it is estimated that 29,000-
000 piculs, or 1,725,000 tons, will
be available for export.

The planted area, as known at
the end of October, was 11,320,000
rai, or 4,525,000 acres (a new
record), and the total damage in
estimated for the present at
1,000,000 rai, or 400,000 acres.

The grain itself is stated on the
whole to be of good quality and
heavy, and the yield has been cal-
culated, therefore, on an average
of 4.8 piculs per rai. The only
district which appears to have
suffered severely is that of
Lopburi, where the loss is reckon-
ed to be nearly 25% of the planted
area. Samud Sakorn also suffered
considerable damage, but the area
involved is relatively a small one.

As anticipated, the carry-over
from last year's crop is large, in
spite of the poor yield, and is
reported to be in the neighbour-
hood of 200,000 tons.—Bangkok
Times.

IS BERNARD SHAW GREAT?

By BERNARD FALK.

HAVING incautiously mention-
ed that I had my own views
about Bernard Shaw as a great
man I have been challenged to set
them forth.

I do not attach much importance
to Mr. Shaw being our most con-
siderable literary figure. That is
success, not greatness, and the
competition in this arid age is not
very fierce. Neither am I im-
pressed by his popularity, his
prosperity, or the devoted follow-
ing that acclaims with hosannas
all he does and says. The same
applauds Ethel M. Dell, or, in a
different sphere, to Greta Garbo
and Gracie Fields, and I should
hesitate to consider any one of
these ladies great.

The immense volume of work—
thirty bound tomes—credited to
Mr. Shaw is a sign of his indus-
try, not necessarily of his genius.
When I examine this mass of writ-
ing, do I find myself in the pre-
sence of a great thinker, or an
original dramatist, or a wonder-
ful creative artist? I certainly
do not.

Argument.

His numerous contributions to
the drama establish him as a
mirthful, provocative, ingenious,
topical writer whose crusades
against conventional humbug,
tyranny, or faddism are apt to be
amusing, if not always convincing.
But they are innocent of greatness
in the sense that one would ap-
ply the term to the plays of
Shakespeare, Moliere, or even that
more recent dramatist Ibsen, who
was by no means a genius, and in
quality the plays of Bernard Shaw
are decidedly inferior.

There is not a single Bernard
Shaw character that one remem-
bers without an effort—not a soli-
tary line or phrase in that huge
ruck of unmusical prose which
haunts the memory.

Argument! Argument! Argu-
ment! This is Bernard Shaw; but
when it comes to deep wisdom how
light he travels! His types are
varied, but not original, and exist
simply as mouthpieces for his pro-
nouncements on every subject un-
der the sun—and a few others.
—But one has the feeling, all the
time, that he has cheated us, that
there is in him the gift to produce
masterpieces which would entitle
him to greatness. No, he prefers
to enjoy himself, to indulge in the
pernicious and fatal habit of wat-
ching his brain function. Thus
his work reeks of the laboratory
and lacks the spontaneity which
is the hallmark of genius.

If that were all, if we had to
conclude that by reason of his
shortcomings as a thinker and
dramatist Bernard Shaw had lost
his way, this article would come
to an end now with some pious
regrets for a soul that had missed
the light. Happily—for one's
rounded verdict on the sage, he
thrusts forth another and more
legitimate claim to greatness, and
we are bound to concede it to him.

Bernard Shaw is a great person-
ality. Not a great thinker, not a
great dramatist, but a great per-
sonality, and with his tall, digni-
fied appearance and aristocratic
head he looks the part. Whatever
he says or does interests us. His
polemics may exasperate; we can-
not remain indifferent to his
opinions; his physical activities
may make us smile; we cannot but
admire them.

He is the first philosopher of
world-wide repute to appear in
plus-fours. I know of no other
writer who at the age of 74 goes
hill-climbing and water-diving. As
untiring in energy at his advanced
age as Voltaire, Goethe, or An-
toine France, he has thrice given
physical stamina. He could give
Goethe the 200 yards start in a mile
walk and beat him easily, assum-
ing the German poet belonged to
this era and did not disdain such
a prosaic combat.

Forgotten How to Stop.

Bernard Shaw is a gyroscope
who keeps on spinning. If he
stopped he would be ordinary. He
doesn't stop. He has forgotten
how. He reminds us of the sick
man who saved his life by not
having strength enough to draw
his last breath.

The historian of the twentieth
century will be grateful for Ber-
nard Shaw. In his search for
colour, anecdote, and character
the stylish clothes and aristocra-
tic hauteur of Arnold Bennett will
yield him a trifle, but from the
sayings and doings and idiosyn-
crasies of the giant of Whitehall
court he will gather a bushelful.
Our hero hides nothing from
posterity. We know the most in-
imate details of his life, how his
morning paper is propped up at
the breakfast table, the care be-
stowed on his fine head and beard
by the Bond-street barber, his
passion for answering on post-
cards the riddles of a thousand
correspondents.

They called Marie Studholme
"the postcard queen;" with what
greater reason could Bernard
Shaw be described as "the post-
card king!"

History will arrange in proper
proportion all these aspects of
fascination that contribute to
Shaw's greatness. How the Lytton
Strachey of 1975 will relish the
tit-bits he collects from the Ber-
nard Shaw cuttings!

Personality.

In my opinion, then, Bernard
Shaw goes to the Elysian Fields
by virtue of his greatness as a per-
sonality, by reason of his strong,
marked, and picturesque indi-
viduality. I cannot repress a feel-
ing of uneasiness. I hope sin-
cerely he is not placed too near
us, at any rate, too often next
Shakespeare, for I would not wish
that gentle spirit to be disturbed
by his mocking laughter. The
newcomer is sure to begin quiz-
zing the bard on the weakness of
his humour, or the poor construc-
tion of his historical plays, brag-
ging, between whistles, of his im-
mense superiority as a money-
maker.

If Shakespeare, philosophically
casting off the bars of the other's
venom, floods the scene with his
native woodnotes wild, what more
likely than that Bernard Shaw
will rudely remind him he is hope-
lessly out-of-date, that the Talkies
have killed all this poetical non-
sense, that what is wanted is
rapid-fire retorts and action!

Even then I would not be so
anxious. It is the thought, the
terrible thought, that when Ber-
nard Shaw meets Shakespeare he
will appear in his plus-fours which
makes me downright nervous and
uneasy. Would Shakespeare stand
the strain?



"Sure, the opera is O.K., but why did you have to pick
the night the Little Bricklayers Quartette is on the air?"

NEW WING FOR HOSPITAL.

AVAILABLE FOR TUBERCULAR PATIENTS.

TUNG WAH OPENING.

The new wing to the Tung Wah Hospital, which is to provide accommodation for tubercular patients, nurses' quarters, and an out-patient's room, was this morning opened by the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, before a large assembly, which included the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Dr. Ware, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. M. K. Lo and others.

Mr. Leung Pat-yu presided, and members of the Board of Directors greeted the guests at the entrance to the hospital.

In the course of his address, which was delivered in Chinese, Mr. Leung said the Yan Yan Fong was first erected 21 years ago, and was originally intended for the treatment of plague, the branch hospital at Kennedy Town having changed into a small-box hospital.

The New Features.

It was now proposed that the western portion of the first floor should be used as a waiting room for patients applying for Western treatment, out-patient's room and Western drug-dispensary. Its eastern portion would be partitioned off into 14 private wards for Chinese and Western treatment. There would also be a matron's office. The western portion of the second floor would be occupied by the "Yan" ward, with accommodation for 17 beds, and its eastern portion would be set aside for nurses' quarters in sixteen apartments. There would also be a lecture room and common-room for the nurses. The western portion of the third floor provided seventeen beds and would be used for the treatment of male and female patients suffering from tuberculosis, and its eastern portion would be the "Yan" ward with accommodation for twenty-two beds. The ground floor would be let, as also would the present nurses' quarters, which would yield a total rental of \$600 per month.

The new building had cost \$36,000. It was well lit and ventilated, and was no longer damp and dark, but a splendid building. The erection happened to be completed in the 60th anniversary of the hospital, and would serve as a remembrance of the occasion.

In conclusion he expressed grateful thanks to Mr. Wood for his presence, as well as the members of the Advisory Board and committees, who had done so much in carrying out the important task of supplying a new wing.

Mr. Wood's Congratulations.

The Hon. Mr. Wood, in declaring the wing open, also spoke in Chinese, being translated as follows:

Mr. Leung Pat Yu, Gentlemen,—I deem it a great honour to be invited to come here to-day to perform the opening ceremony of the re-constructed Yan Yan Fong. It is not only an honour but a very genuine pleasure. I have been in close touch with the Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital throughout the past year, and I have been greatly impressed by the energy and enthusiasm which they have brought to their arduous task. The other day we saw the opening of two new wings at the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. And to-day we are here to celebrate the re-construction of the Yan Yan Fong. These activities are evidence of the unsparring efforts of the Directors and of the Advisory Board. I do not propose to speak in detail of this new building, but I should like to refer specially to the proposed accommodation for tubercular patients, which is a gratifying improvement. On behalf of the Hongkong Government I thank you, Mr. Leung Pat Yu, and your fellow-directors. This year is also the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the Tung Wah Hospital, and in offering my congratulations, I also express the earnest wish that your Hospital will go from strength to strength and bring incalculable benefit to the poor and to the sick.

Tribute to S. C. A.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, who spoke in Chinese, said he heartily joined in the Hon. Mr. Wood's tribute to the work of the Directors for the current year. The two new wings recently added to the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, and this reconstructed building, were standing monuments of their achievements. In his opinion, the fact that the cost of the reconstructed building was paid out of the Hospital funds did not detract from the energy they showed in effecting what was a decided improvement in the internal economy of the Hospital. Speaking as a Permanent Director of the Hospital, Mr. Kotewall desired to express sincere thanks to

CASE OF MISTAKEN INDENTITY.

ALLEGED HAWKER THIEF DISCHARGED.

MISSING CHANGE.

How a fruit hawker obtained \$10 from a customer and disappeared after saying he would get change, was related to Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, when Ma Man-chung was charged with feloniously obtaining \$10 from Chung Kau last night.

Complainant said he was at 184, Temple Street last night, when defendant came in with fruit. He ordered 55 cents worth, and tendered \$10 in payment. Defendant said he would go into the street to get change for the note. He did not come back. Witness waited for about an hour, went out to look for defendant, and found him washing clothing at a street fountain.

Defendant, on said he was not the man they wanted, and that they had made a mistake. They took defendant back to the house where he was identified by a girl.

Defendant denied having gone to 184, Temple Street with fruit. He said he had never been a hawker. He was approached in the street when he was washing clothes and taken to Temple Street where he was accused of obtaining \$10.

A friend of complainant and a girl gave evidence purporting to identify the accused, but Mr. Butters decided to give him the benefit of the doubt and ordered his discharge.

NEW SOLICITOR.

MR. D. B. EVANS ADMITTED THIS MORNING.

An application by the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster) for the admission of Mr. Donald Britton Evans to the Supreme Court as a solicitor, was granted by the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Wood) this morning.

The Attorney General explained that Mr. Evans had recently arrived in the Colony and had joined the firm of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master. He asked for exemption from sub-sections in the Legal Practitioners' Ordinance requiring four months' notice to the Registrar and the local Law Society. Mr. Alabaster said that in fact, nearly three months' notice had been given, and Mr. D. L. Strellett, Secretary of the Hongkong Law Society, had stated that the Society had no objection to shorter notice in this matter.

In granting the application, his Lordship wished Mr. Evans every success in Hongkong.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.73 1/2	123.73 1/2
Geneva	25.05 1/2	25.05 1/2
London	20.40 1/2	20.40 1/2
Hongkong	18.10 1/2	18.10 1/2
Helsingfors	193	193
Athens	375	375
Buenos Aires	35.1/16	35
Shanghai	Holiday	1/4 1/2
New York	4.86 1/2 3/4	4.85 9/32
Amsterdam	12.00 1/2	12.00 1/2
Stockholm	18.13 1/2	18.13 1/2
Vienna	34.49 1/2	34.50 1/2
Madrid	46.35	46.15
Bucharest	818	818
Montevideo	35 1/2	35
Hongkong	1/0 1/2	1/0 9/16
Brussels	34.70 1/2	34.70 1/2
Milan	92.74 1/2	92.75 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Prague	163 1/2	163 1/2
Rio	4.19 3/32	4 1/4
Yokohama	2/0 17/32	2/0 15/32
Silver (spot)	14.7/16	14 1/2
" (forward) 14%		14 1/2

—British Wireless.

WEAVERS' STRIKE.

London, Jan. 5.

The Burnley weavers have carried out their threat of a strike, and are idle as from this morning.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Wood for his kindness in performing the opening ceremony. "The Hon. Mr. Wood," said Mr. Kotewall, "is a great friend of the Chinese. His knowledge of our customs and our literature is known to you all. He has always taken a deep interest in the Tung Wah Hospital, ever ready to give advice to the Directors and sparing no pains in promoting its welfare." It seemed to him to be singularly appropriate that Mr. Wood should perform the opening ceremony of this reconstructed building, which was another of those reforms which had been steadily introduced by the Hospital whose fortunes Mr. Wood had always watched with such fostering care.

Subsequently the visitors inspected the new building, and later enjoyed refreshments.

THE SINO-BURMESE RIOTING.

POLICE COMPELLED TO FIRE ON COMBATANTS.

TRIVIAL ORIGIN.

Rangoon, Jan. 5.

The rioting between Chinese and Burmese on Saturday is now shown to have arisen out of a trivial dispute.

The rioters savagely attacked each other with knives, choppers and stones, and the police had to open fire to clear the streets.

Despite the efforts of the elders on both sides, the rioting, again broke out on Sunday, and the Burma Rifles and military police were called out and restored order.

The Chinese and Burmese elders are now touring the disaffected area, proclaiming the restoration of peace.

The total casualties reported to the hospital authorities are 86, but it is believed that about an equal number have not been reported.—*Reuter.*

ENGLAND BATSMAN IN LUCK.

(Continued from Page 1.)

but another bowling change brought an end to England's innings, Vincent scattering Hendren's balls with a good ball. Hendren had been at the wickets for 3 hours and 10 minutes for his 86, and had hit five fours.

Catterall returned somewhat remarkable bowling figures. He bowled twelve overs, of which only two were maidens, but took three wickets at a cost of only five runs apiece. Vincent had two for 26, but Bell's wicket cost 58 runs.

The full scores, as cabled by Reuter, are appended:

S. AFRICA—1ST INNINGS.

Siedle, c Chapman, b White	141
Mitchell, b Tate	123
Nupen, b Tate	112
Taylor, c White, b Leyland	117
Catterall, b Catterall, b White	56
Cameron, c Peebles, b White	26
Ballaskas, c Turnbull, b Leyland	9
Deane, b Leyland	7
McMillan not out	3
Vincent not out	21
Extras	21

Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 513

Fall of wickets:—1 for 260; 2 for 280; 3 for 299; 4 for 347; 5 for 473; 6 for 479; 7 for 502; 8 for 506.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tate	4	13	79	3
Hammond	10	2	27	0
Vince	33	11	95	0
Peebles	28	2	95	0
White	49	15	101	2
Leyland	30	6	91	3
Wyatt	2	0	4	0

ENGLAND—1st INNINGS.

Wyatt, b McMillan	40
Hammond, c and b McMillan	52
Leyland, b Bell	52
Hendren, b Ballaskas	93
Turnbull, b Bell	7
Chapman, b Bell	0
White, b.w., Ballaskas	23
Tate, c Taylor, b McMillan	15
Vince, c and b Vincent	39
Peebles, not out	30
Duckworth, b.w., Vincent	7
Extras	26

Total 350

Fall of wickets:—1 for 75; 2 for 124; 3 for 202; 4 for 214; 5 for 214; 6 for 288; 7 for 293; 8 for 312; 9 for 350; 10 for 350.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bell	27	9	53	3
Catterall	5	3	2	0
Nupen	22	7	43	0
Ballaskas	16	0	75	2
Vincent	17	4	40	2
McMillan	33	6	11	3

ENGLAND—2ND INNINGS.

Wyatt, b Bell	29
Hammond, c Deane, b Vincent	65
Leyland, c Mitchell, b McMillan	28
Hendren, b Vincent	8
Turnbull, b McMillan	14
White, b.w., b Catterall	8
Peebles, b Catterall	0
Chapman, b Catterall	3
Tate, b.w., b Nupen	4
Vince, not out	1
Duckworth, absent hurt	0
Extras	14

Total 252

Fall of wickets:—1 for 58; 2 for 105; 3 for 152; 4 for 184; 5 for 225; 6 for 225; 7 for 235; 8 for 250; 9 for 252.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bell	29	8	58	1
Catterall	12	2	15	3
McMillan	32	7	54	2
Vincent	17	6	26	2
Nupen	17	2	28	1
Ballaskas	9	1	29	0
Mitchell	8	0	20	0

AMOY QUARANTINE SERVICE.

INTERESTING INAUGURATION CEREMONY.

CORDIAL SPEECHES.

Amoy, Jan. 2.

The Port Health Service hitherto controlled by the Customs was formally passed over to the National Quarantine Service yesterday, the inauguration ceremony taking place to-day at the official quarters, the Bund, before a large audience of Chinese officials including Captain Pan (representative of Admiral Lin Kuo-ken), Chief of River Police, City Police, Health Department, Education, Commissioner of Customs (C. N. Holwill), heads of foreign and Chinese shipping firms and other business houses.

In the absence of Admiral Lin, Dr. Wu Lien-sheng, Director-General of the National Quarantine Service, took the chair and after the usual salute to the portrait of the late President Sun Yat-sen introduced Mr. Holwill, Commissioner of Customs.

Mr. Holwill said that he took much pleasure in formally handing over the Port Health work to Dr. Wu Lien-sheng as head of the National Quarantine Service. Ever since the opening of the Port years ago, the Customs had in Amoy, as elsewhere, undertaken quarantine work because up to now no independent Chinese health authority had been available. But now, when the Ministry of Health had created a special Quarantine Service to supervise this work all over China, he gladly on behalf of the Inspector General of Customs transferred its authority to Dr. Wu, in whom they all had the greatest confidence, and wished the Quarantine Service every success and prosperity.

Important Work.

Dr. Wu Lien-sheng first spoke in mandarin, then in English for the benefit of the foreign guests present. He said that the National Quarantine Service of China was inaugurated on July 1, 1930, with the taking over of the important port of Shanghai. It was a well-established fact that international health and shipping interests, were closely inter-twined, when an epidemic broke out, both the port and shipping with its commerce suffered. Hence it was most important that all connected with an important port like Amoy, with its huge emigration traffic, should emphasize the health of the city, its hinterland and the people who migrate from it. Amoy had large connexions with Malaya, Netherlands East Indies and the Philippines and it was most necessary for the Government to enforce proper health precautions for those who leave these shores, so that neither the emigrants who go out nor the territories which admit them should suffer unnecessarily from preventable diseases.

Foreign Co-operation.

Dr. Wu said that he was glad to inform those present that he had for months made arrangements with the health authorities of foreign Governments to the fullest extent to co-operate to the fullest extent in this international health matter. The Central Government, as represented by the Quarantine Service, would charge a composite fee of one dollar for vaccination, certificate and medical inspection on board to each emigrant, whatever his destination might be, and the receipts would be properly controlled. The Quarantine Service had important work before it in the way of establishing a suitable infectious disease hospital, quarantine station, disinfection plant and other requirements of a modern institution of the sort. He hoped that the official and commercial circles would extend to the Service every possible help in making the work as efficient as possible. For himself, he could promise that he and his assistants would do their best. As a beginning they had taken over the motor launch and the nicely-equipped inspection offices and laboratory of the former Port Health Officer, Dr. Lindsay Woods, so that they could start work straight away. This equipment Dr. Wu invited those present to inspect.

Consul's Speech.

Mr. Grant Jones, British Consul, said that the port of Amoy was in close relations with that important territory of Great Britain known as Malaya, to which the Province of Fukien had for several years sent so many of her sturdy emigrants. Many of these had got on and had helped toward the prosperity of the city. Chief among the contributions of overseas Chinese in Amoy was the University of Amoy for which they were indebted to Mr. Tan Kah-kee. The British Government, the same as the British people, wished to keep in the closest friendship with China and her inhabitants, and the happy establishment of this quarantine and emigration work in Amoy was welcomed by himself and his nationals, and he wished every

AMATEUR PHOTO EXHIBITION.

SOME STRIKING PICTURES ON SHOW.

UNIVERSITY SHOW.

Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University, has kindly consented to distribute the prizes and certificates to successful entrants of the third annual amateur photographic exhibition organised by the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club, on Saturday, at 6 p.m., at the University Union Assembly Room. Tea will be served before the distribution and all interested are welcome.

At the request of those interested in photography, the closing hour of the exhibition has been extended to 6.30 p.m. daily. The exhibition is open until Saturday. The exhibits are well above the usual standard. They reveal much talent, versatility and individuality by local amateurs. A feature is the large number of landscapes in comparison with the entries in the "Still Life," "Portraiture," and "Genre" Sections. The last-named contains some delightful studies of local life customs.

The difficult task of judging fell to the lot of Mrs. M. O. Pfister well-known in local art circles; Mr. E. A. Kobza-Nagy, B.A., a leading professional portraitist who has had varied experience in judging amateur photographic exhibitions in the East, and Dr. Li Sung, an enthusiastic exponent of camera craft. The Judges desire to make known that their preference is for pictures that combine excellence in composition, selection and conception of subject, and all the details that go to make up a work of art. Such a seemingly minor point as the title may turn the scale in the artist's favour.

Judges' Comments.

An interview with the judges elicited the information that eighty per cent. of the pictures show good technique. In some cases the defects found were the employment of unsuitable printing paper or mounts. Some of the exhibits, particularly the numbers entitled "Full Moon" and "The Veteran," could have been in a lighter tone. However, about one-third of the attempts were adjudged fit to compete in international exhibitions.

The School Section, an innovation, was highly commended and revealed that our junior camera men have an eye for beauty.

Kwok Tsung-ling, a student of Wah Yan College, was highly successful, one of his best efforts being a genre, "Scrubbing," depicting two boatmen cleaning the hull of a junk. "Morning Sun," by a beginner, Mr. Khoo Fun-yong, is remarkable for good live composition. A shade lighter in the printing would have improved the whole. The portraits were, in the judges' opinion, below par. Spacing and choice of background were considered "amateurish," the backgrounds in a few cases being very distracting.

The Still Life studies show more promise. The numerous attempts to portray glass objects, a difficult task, proved too much for some artists, with the result that in most cases they do not appear natural. However, there were some laudable efforts as in "Bamboo" by Mr. P. A. Dragon and "Olden Gate" by Mr. H. Lueer.

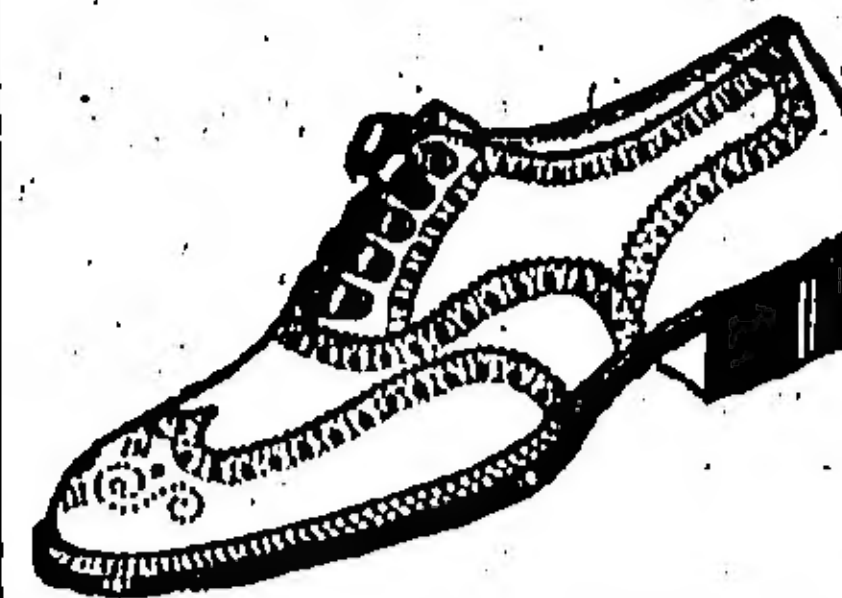
A unique feature in the exhibition was the tying of seven prints of widely different character for first place in landscapes. As there is only one first prize, the Judges awarded it by a cast of lots to "Wings of the Morning" by P. A. Dragon. "Twin Bells," one of the seven, by Mr. A. H. Lock, is attractive for its quasi-Chinese effect in print and mount. Dr. T. C. Lau, of Canton, a new exhibitor, has three of the seven to his credit, as also has P. A. Dragon, a regular exhibitor.

The prize for the "Best Picture" of the show was awarded to Mr. H. Lueer, the Manager of the local Agaf Co., for "Gossips," a genre that appeals strongly because of its human interest and faultless workmanship.

The exhibition reflects great credit on the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club and particularly on its Chairman, Mr. K. W. Khoo, and its Hon. Secretary, Mr. Lee Pitt-slow, Contributed.

success to Dr. Wu and his colleagues in the task before them. With this speech terminated the morning's proceedings. A group photograph was then taken in the open grounds outside.

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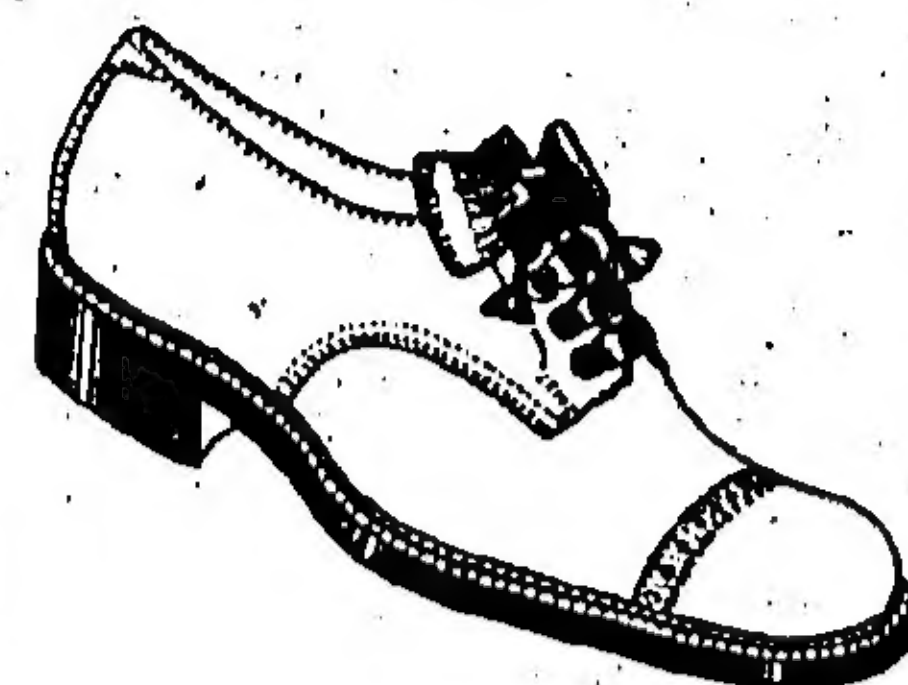
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DEATH SEQUENCE IN PARIS HOUSE.

ENGLISHWOMAN THE LAST
TO DIE.

Paris, Dec. 3.
Miss Catherine Sims, the English housekeeper of Monsignor de la Valette, a prominent Roman Catholic ecclesiastic, recently deceased, was found dead on Monday in her bed-room. Miss Sims' death is the third link in a chain of tragic events that have taken place in the same house.

On the discovery of Miss Sims' death it was recalled that not only she, but two other persons had been found dead there in almost precisely similar circumstances within the space of the last 20 months. The house is No. 3, rue Victor Considerant, a small street in the Montparnasse district, containing no more than a dozen houses and inhabited by not a few artists.

The first victim was an elderly spinster, Mlle. Carre, a devotee of the Christian Science movement. On April 25, 1928, the tenant of the ground floor flat heard the sound of a dull shock emanating from the flat above him, but took no special notice. The police later found Mlle. Carre lying dead on the mat beside her bed. An inquiry concluded that the cause of death had been natural.

A month ago Monsignor de la Valette, who occupied another flat in the house, was found dead in his bath-room. Death from natural causes was concluded.

On Saturday last a relative of the dead prelate came to the latter's flat, that was still being inhabited by Miss Sims, the housekeeper, to settle details connected with M. de la Valette's estate. After calling twice and finding no sign of the housekeeper, the relative searched the flat and found the bath-room door bolted on the inside. The door was then forced by the police, and Miss Sims' body was found lying on the floor. Miss Sims was 48 years old and was from London.

CRICHTON LEAVING FOR SHANGHAI.

RETURNING IN FEB. FOR
MATCH WITH EWEN.

Jack Crichton, the welter and middle-weight champion of the Colony, who defeated A. B. Begbie on Saturday, is leaving aboard the Empress of Russia to-morrow for an important engagement in Shanghai.

His opponent is not yet settled, though Crichton, in conversation this morning, expressed the opinion that Signalman Morris would be selected. It was hoped, it may be recalled, that Morris would fight Crichton in Hongkong.

Jock is returning to the Colony in time for the next tournament of the H.K.B.A. on February 7th, when he will be matched for a middleweight championship bout. Mr. Brooks is keen to get a return bout between Crichton and A. B. Ewen, which would provide a first-class contest. Ewen lost the middleweight title to Crichton about a year ago, and is most anxious to try conclusions again. Provided naval movements are favourable, this bout is certain to be arranged.

TUNGSHAN GOLF CLUB.

RECENT COMPETITION
RESULTS.

Canton, Jan. 5.
The Servanin Cup, for the best 18 hole bogey card returned during the Christmas and New Year Holidays, was won by C. E. Sandstrom with a score of one up on bogey, at the Tungshan Golf Club.

In the first round of the Captain's Cup played yesterday, E. R. Hill beat H. Lafford by 6 and 4. Second round results were:

B. Anthony beat C. E. Sandstrom on the nineteenth.
C. E. Watson beat W. Galloway by 5 and 4.

E. R. Hill beat M. Annett 1 up.
W. F. Gilman beat J. T. Smith 6 and 4.

The semi-finals and final will be played off next Sunday, when B. Anthony will play C. E. Watson and E. R. Hill will play W. F. Gilman, over 18 holes, when an interesting and close finish is expected.—Our Own Correspondent.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB "A" TEAM TO MEET
ARMY.

The following will represent the Club "A" v. Army "A" on Wednesday, 7th January, at 4.45 p.m.:
Back: R. J. Glover; Three-quarters: J. J. Ferguson, G. A. L. Plummer, C. J. D. Law, W. D. Johnson; Half: M. G. Mills, J. W. King; Forwards: D. L. Mills; Day: W. F. Pears; W. F. Leckie; W. Hartley; E. P. Butcher; E. B. Gamble; A. Atkinson; B. P. Massey.

EARL READING ON STATUS OF INDIA.

(Continued from Page 1.)

he thought all were too apt to think of the past instead of the future. He, after listening to the arguments, was looking forward to the time when the Council met, when there would not be opposition between the Cabinet and the Viceroy or the Legislature and the Viceroy, and when the whole of the Ministry would be giving, to the best of their ability, effect to the views of the Legislature and explaining to the Legislature why a particular decision was necessary.

In those circumstances, many of the safeguards and reservations now being introduced, because they had to prepare for all eventualities would in all probability never be brought into play.

Power to Dismiss.

He agreed that no Ministry should be turned out unless there was a two-thirds, or perhaps, a three-quarters majority, but that could be left for the present. Power must be inherent in the Viceroy to dismiss the Ministry if he thought it had lost the confidence of the House.

As to the representatives of the Indian States taking part in matters said to be of purely British Indian interest, he thought there would be very few subjects where they had no such interest, either

RUSSIAN PIANIST.



Miss Luba Pecker, Russian pianist, whose recital was broadcast from the Hongkong studio on December 28th, and who will again be "on the air" to-morrow night.

direct or indirect. Reserved and unreserved subject questions would be discussed in the Cabinet, but on reserved points the Cabinet would not vote and on unreserved points the Viceroy's Ministers would not vote.

Currency Question.

Lord Reading dealt at length with finance questions, and urged great care in exchange and currency matters, the control of which must, pending the establishment of a Reserve Bank, be left with the Viceroy. Although law and order were to be transferred to the provinces, over-riding power must be left with the Viceroy to act in cases where disorder covered a wider area.

Assuming that a Federal Constitution came into existence, and they carried out what they had been discussing, India would have made an immense constitutional advance. He did not think it was entirely without risk, but he was prepared to face that risk.

Lord Sankey's Suggestions.

When the discussion on constitutional questions was resumed, the Moslem delegate criticised in detail the present system of administration. Speaking of the future, he urged that the new system should provide adequate safeguards for minorities.

Lord Sankey tentatively suggested to the Sub-committee that in the new form of the Viceroy's Cabinet, portfolios might possibly be allotted as follows:—Firstly, finance; secondly, law; thirdly, railways, posts and telegraphs; fourthly, education, health and lands, fifthly, industries; sixthly, commerce; seventhly, revenue subjects, for example administration of customs, opium and salt; eighthly, minor departments, for example botanical and geological surveys; ninthly, minister in charge of minor administrations. At present, the Cabinet consists of seven members, including the Commander-in-Chief.—British Wireless.

RESULT LISTS THAT LEAD TO TROUBLE.

UNJUSTIFIABLE COM-
PARISONS.

The publication of examination results in lists giving the names of all candidates with their schools is deprecated by the Joint Advisory Committee of the Association of Education Committees and the National Union of Teachers.

For two years they have been inquiring into various aspects of examinations in elementary schools and their findings are now published. ["Education" Limited and "The Schoolmaster" Publishing Company, 38, 6d. cloth, 2s. 6d. paper.]

Such publication of lists, they think, leads almost inevitably to unjustifiable comparisons between schools and teachers by inexperienced persons. Some witnesses stated that the procedure tended to introduce into schools evils of over-pressure and concentration upon examination results.

Other findings are: Inspection, accompanied by judicious examination, is, generally speaking, the best means of ascertaining the quality of instruction in schools.

Internal examinations should be held regularly and thoroughly, and the marked papers retained for at least 12 months.

School records should be kept for every individual pupil and be available to successive teachers. Reports should be issued to parents once a year.

Purely external examinations of a class or age group at regular or indicated intervals to test efficiency are not recommended, as they involve a risk of consequences detrimental to the work in the school, nor should an efficiency examination be combined with a selective one.

Leaving Examinations.

The restricted number of places in secondary schools makes written examinations necessary and no method of final selection will be found more equitable or effective than a modified external examination.

Any attempt to establish an official system of leaving examinations in selective central or senior schools would at present be a hindrance rather than a help in the development of these schools.

The committee recommend the establishment of a joint committee of the local education authorities and the teachers, including, if possible, representatives of the Board of Education, to "pursue and encourage research into the technique of examining."

THE BARMAID'S TROUSSEAU.

"FANCY NEEDLEWORK"

The conditions in public-houses were dealt with at the hearing of the catering trade inquiry.

Mr. G. A. Hotter, secretary and manager of the Licensed Victuallers' Defence League of England and Wales, said that no complaints had been received as to conditions in the trade.

Sir Reginald Mitchell Banks, K.C., for the National Trade Defence Association, declared:

"We say it is grotesque to set up a trade board for public-houses and inns because you may find unsatisfactory conditions in cafes and fried fish shops."

Speaking of the difference between hours worked and hours of duty, Sir Reginald said: "It is common knowledge to anybody who occasionally patronises country public-houses—and I do myself when I am on my travels—that if you drop in you find the barman reading his paper and the barmaid engaged in fancy needlework, generally in preparation for her trousseau. But she has plenty of time to converse amicably with an agreeable customer."

MILL GIRLS IN CANTEENS.

AN INVITATION BY
MISS BONDFIELD.

The Minister of Labour, Miss Margaret Bondfield, has invited five women from Lancashire to inspect Army canteens in various parts of the country with a view to ascertaining the facts in regard to the employment of girls in this work.

Opposition has been raised in Oldham and other parts of Lancashire to the employment of mill girls in canteens, and Miss Bondfield promised to provide facilities for the inspection of these places.

Among the five invited are a Stalybridge mill girl and Mrs. Florence Jagger, J.P., of Oldham.

The Rev. Gordon Lang, M.P., speaking in Oldham said he had inspected the training centres and canteens in London. Little could be said other than what was praised, worthy of the conditions. He could, however, sympathise with the view of any parents who conscientiously objected to their girls taking work which involved the selling of intoxicants.



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CAPTAIN LATTA APPOINTED TO EMPRESS OF BRITAIN.

As already announced Captain R. G. Latta has been appointed to the command of the new 42,600-ton Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Britain, now completing at Clydebank. It was generally anticipated that Captain Latta would have the new ship, not only because he has a claim by virtue of seniority, but also because he has recently been standing by the ship in the yard to supervise her completion.

He is what might be described as a general service seaman, and a man to his fingertips. Born in 1873, he went to sea first at the age of 13, his first ship being the sailing vessel Arden Craig, and his first voyage a six-month passage from South Shields to San Francisco. After that he had a very varied experience before he got his ticket, and afterwards in ships of all types before he settled down in the Canadian Pacific towards the end of 1904, his first billet being as fourth officer of the old Montezuma. The following year he was employed in a similar capacity in the Montreal and a year later third officer of the Mount Royal, and subsequently in the Lake Erie. After working in the Montreal in October, 1909, he joined as second officer the vessel in which he received his Canadian Pacific christening only five years before.

In April, 1916, he was promoted chief officer of this vessel, and afterwards he became in succession chief of the Milwaukee, Mississauga and Niagara, to which ship he was appointed commander from July 25, 1917. After the Armistice he was for a time marine superintendent at Antwerp. He has commanded the Monmouth, and in turn the Sicilian, Grampian, Scandinavia, Montroyal, Empress of Scotland and until recently the Empress of Australia.

Other Changes.

The last-named ship goes to Captain E. Griffiths, who had the Empress of France for many years. He was born in 1874 and had his first sea experience in the wonderful little schooner that used to sail out of Port Madoe, later serving in various coasting and ocean-going sailing vessels. When he went into steam he joined the Beaver Company, which was then under the control of the Elder Dempster Line and transferred with the fleet to the Canadian Pacific when it was purchased in 1903.

His first command came in June 1907, the old Milwaukee, and he afterwards had the Montezuma, Montreal, Lake Manitoba, Scandinavia, Moineau, and others before he finally settled down to the Empress of France in April, 1922. In command of her he carried the Prince of Wales and many other distinguished passengers.

Captain James Turnbull, another very well known Canadian Pacific master, who succeeds him in the Empress of France, is a Liverpool man who served his time in the Elder Dempster's sailing ships, going to sea in 1889 as apprentice in the Erebus. When he had got his second mate's and master's tickets he stuck to the firm in various capacities until he received his master's certificate, when he decided to go into steam and joined the Elder Dempster Line. It was quite by chance that he found his way into the Canadian trade through being appointed to one of the Beaver ships that they were managing, and like Captain Griffiths he turned over with her. A keen R.N.R. officer, his Canadian Pacific service was interrupted by a long spell of special training with the heavy good will of the company and he returned in 1906.

His first command came in May, 1911, the Montcalm, and when war broke out he was in command of the Empress of Britain. He did magnificent work during the struggle, particularly in connexion with the convoy service, and was conferred captain shortly after the Armistice. He has done a spell of service as R.N.R. aide-de-camp to his Majesty and is well known in naval as well as Western Ocean circles.

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Piano Solo.

Lullaby—A Jolly Time.
Hazel Gertrude Kinsella. 20166.
Reading—The Sugar Plum.
Reading—Wynken, Blynken and Nod.
Sally Hamlin. 20340.
Orchestral—A Taylor and A Bear—The Wild Horseman.
Orchestral—Spinning Song—The Little Hunters.

Victor Orchestra. 20153.
Story—Rumpelstiltskin (Grimm).
Sally Hamlin. 20341.

5.35-6.05 p.m. Variety.
Orchestral—Penny Face—Selections (Ira and Geo. Gershwin).
Victor Arden, Phil Ohman and Their Orchestra. 20618.

Orchestral—Good News—Selections (de Sylva-Brown-Henderson).
Victor Arden, Phil Ohman and Their Orchestra. 20618.

Song—It All Depends On You (de Sylva-Brown-Henderson).
Franklin Haur (Tenor). 20403.
Song—I'm Looking For A Girl Named Mary (Sam Stept).
Lewis James (Tenor). 20403.

Humorous Song—The Song of The Sewing Machine (Rose Macdonald-Greer).
Macdonald-Greer. 21168.

Song—Grandfather's Clock (H. C. Work).
Song—Billy Boy.
Frank Grumit (Tenor). 19945.

Song—Jennine I Dream of Lilac Time (Gilbert-Shilliker).
Gene Austin (Tenor). 21564.

6.05-7.05 p.m. Concert Items.
String Quartet—Andante Cantabile (Tschinkowsky).
String Quartet—Theme and Variations (Haydn Op. 76 No. 3).
Elyan String Quartet. 6034.

Song—Chiribibi (Pestalozza).
Song—Il Racio (Arditi).
Madam Lucrezia Bori (Soprano). 1262.

Violin Solo—La Cancion Del Olvido (Serrano-Persinger).
Ronde (Sophr Persinger). 7317.

Violin Solo—Song of Spain (G. Samazeuilh).
Master Yehudi Menuhin. 7317.

Song—Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes (Ben Jonson).
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 1238.

Song—Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms (Thomas Moore).
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone). 1238.

Flute Solo—Wind Amongst The Trees (Bricelaid).
Clement Barone. 20344.

Viola, 'Cello and Harp—At The Brook (Boisdeffre).
Venetian Trio. 20344.

Song—The Auld Scotch Songs (Hethune-Lesson).
Song—Anne Laurie (William Douglas-Lady John Scott).
John McCormack (Tenor). 1305.

Orchestral—Love's Sorrow (F. Kreisler).
San Francisco Symphony Orch. 6802.

Orchestral—Serenade (Mozzkowski).
Aubade (Auber).
San Francisco Symphony Orch. 6802.

Orchestral—Apache Dance (Offenbach).
Orchestral—The Swallow (Serradell).
Victor Salton Orchestra. 21056.

7.05-7.35 p.m. Operatic.
Faust—Ainsi Que La Brise Legere (Gounod).
Faust—Kermesse (The Fair).
(Gounod).

Metropolitan Opera Chorus. 6097.
Meistersinger—Mad! Mad! All The World's Mad! (Wagner).
Meistersinger—An Imp Wove The Spell (Wagner).
Friedrich Schorr (Baritone). 7319.

BRITISH BLAMED.

PANAMA REVOLT AND RUBBER INTERESTS.

New York, Jan. 5.
The "land-grabbing tactics of powerful British rubber interests" are partly blamed for last week's revolution in Panama.

The anti-British Hearst newspaper, the New York American, publishes an interview with Mr. Richard Marsh, a former diplomatic official, who accuses the Panama ex-President Chazari of rushing through legislation ceding rubber lands to a British syndicate. Mr. Marsh says the election of Senor Arosomena, who "is Chazari's Man Friday," made the revolution inevitable. On the contrary, Arlas, the leader of the revolt "is a true patriot, and a friend of the United States."—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHIP DISASTER.

EXPLOSION LEADS TO TOTAL LOSS.

Colombo, Jan. 5.
The Norwegian vessel Tricolor, which departed this morning for the Far East, has been sunk owing to an explosion.

Four of the crew, including the captain, are believed to have been drowned. One out of twelve passengers is missing.

The survivors have since been rescued.—*Reuter.*

[The Tricolor is listed as a steel twin-screw oil-engined vessel of 9,119 tons, built in 1925 at Hamburg, and registered at Tonsberg, the owners being the A/S Den Norske Afrika og Australielinje (Wilh. Wilhelmsen, Managers). Her dimensions are given as 442.6 by 58.2 by 27.6 feet, and classification 100 A 1.]

LOCAL YACHTING.

RACES IN THE FIFTH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

The fifth Ladies' Championship race under the auspices of the R.H.K. Yacht Club was held yesterday, the course being—Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on line (P), Cust Rock mark boat (P). Distance, 5.5 miles. The result was as follows:

Class	Started	Corrected	Time	Position	Sailed by
B	4.15.55	5	Mrs. M. Hincham		
C	4.19.17	3	Mrs. M. Larsen		
D	4.20.20	2	Mrs. Thorp		
E	4.10.29	4	Mrs. J. C. Mackie		
F	4.20.04	1	Mrs. Krush Moe		
G	4.11.29	6	Mrs. M. Pearce		
H	4.11.45	7	Mrs. B.C. Lambert		

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Jasmine 4.25.47 6 Mrs. J.J. Frieland
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Andrea Chenier—Once O'er The Azure Fields (Gordano).
Andrea Chenier—As Some Soft Day In May (Gordano).
Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor). 6707.

7.35-8.00 p.m. Organ Solos.
Oh, Promise Me! (From Robin Hood).
Because (E. Teschemacher-G. D'Hardelot).

7.35-8.00 p.m. Operatic.
Funeral March (Chopin).
Largo (From "Xerxes") (Handel).
Mark Andrews. 35958.

Andantino (Lemare).
Tauronei (Schumann).
Edwin H. Lemare. 35948.

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9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

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CROWN LAND SOLD BY AUCTION.

THREE LOTS DISPOSED OF YESTERDAY.

Brisk bidding characterised the sale of three lots of Crown land at the Public Works Department yesterday afternoon, the best property put under the hammer being situate at Wongneichung.

This lot, known as Inland Lot No. 3,188, and comprising an area of about 6,000 square feet, was offered for sale at the upset price of \$24,000 with bids of \$100 each being accepted. With occasional bids of \$500 the figure mounted to \$29,000 when it was knocked down to Messrs. Ng Chak-wa, Au Pak-man and Un Che-hing, of 167, Wing Lok Street.

Both the other two lots were sold to Mr. Wong Wai-shan of 80, Prince Edward Road, the total price paid being \$18,700. The first of these two properties, New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,441 in Cheung Sha Wan Road with an area of about 1,188 square feet, was offered at \$2,079 and sold at \$6,400, while the second lot, No. 1,442, at the junction of Un Chau and Kweilin Streets, Shamshuipo, was put up at \$11,016 and sold for \$12,300.

A German firm is to supply the India Government with seven locomotives for £19,049.

"REDS" CAPTURE TAYU

TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION INTERRUPTED.

Canton, Jan. 5. The Canton Telegraph Administration has been advised by telegrams from Nanyang, in northern Kwangtung, that all telegraphic communication between Nanyang and Tayu District has been interrupted on account of the Communist occupation of Tayu District on New Year's Eve. Canton is advised not to dispatch telegrams to North China through Nanyang at present but to send all cables to Shikwan en route to Hunan.

"Reds" in Hupeh. Hankow, Jan. 5. Nationalist forces in Hupeh have made splendid progress in connection with the expedition against bandits and Communists.

The Hupeh Military Command claims that Shaushui, for sometime occupied by Communists, was recaptured on New Year's Day, while another town, Tung Koo, was taken from bandits by the 32nd Nationalist Division two days ago. The 15th Nationalist Division is engaged in bandit suppression near Shaushui.

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A Chinese hearse on wheels is an innovation which has just been introduced into the Colony, under the auspices of the Tung Wah Hospital authorities. It takes the form of a catafalque built over a Ford lorry chassis, painted on the outside in black and gold. Old and modern ideas are therefore combined in a practical and convenient manner, and it is hoped that the well-to-do will be encouraged to avail themselves of the use of the new hearse when occasion requires. On other occasions, the catafalque can be detached, and the chassis used for the transportation of coffins. Some objection by the authorities may be raised to the height of the hearse, the gilt ball surmounting it reaching to a height of 14 feet above the ground. It is thought that difficulty may be experienced in clearing trees, in which case it is indicated some modification of the present height may be considered by the authorities as desirable.

TIN RESTRICTION.

CHINA ASKED TO SUPPORT MAYALAN MINERS.

Singapore, Jan. 5. At a meeting of Selangor tin miners, discussing the Mine Warden's proposal for tin restriction, it was held that mines could work at full blast for three months and close down for three months. No hoarding would be permitted, but a reasonable carry-over be allowed, the quota system to come into operation on March 1.

It is anticipated that Siam will enter the scheme, and an appeal is being made to China for support.—*Reuter*.

Last week, the Senior Warden of Mines of the Federated Malay States circularised tin producers stating that the Government was prepared to legislate in order to give effect to the international tin restriction scheme, provided public opinion was generally favourable. This will entail control of output to 78 per cent of the 1929 production.

COURT OF INQUIRY.

STRANDING OF KUTSANG TO BE INVESTIGATED.

A Court of Inquiry will be held at the Marine Court to-morrow morning to investigate the circumstances attending the stranding of the Japanese steamer Kutsang outside Lyemun Pass on the evening of December 17. The Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired) will preside, the assessors being Lieut. Commr. L. G. Addington, R.N. (H.M.S. Tamar), Capt. J. A. Stewart (S.S. Ixion), Capt. C. Howe (S.S. Paludina) and Capt. A. Hall (S.S. Telemachus).

It will be recalled that the Kutsang went aground near Putaunum shortly after 8 p.m. on December 17. She got off in about half an hour and entered the harbour under her own steam. Capt. V. McC. Liddell was in command, the vessel being then bound for Hongkong from Calcutta via Singapore.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

AGA KHAN TO ATTEND MOSLEM MEETING.

London, Jan. 5. It is understood that the Aga Khan, who has been ill in Paris, where he narrowly escaped pneumonia, will have sufficiently recovered to be present in London to-night at a meeting of Moslem delegates, when the latest developments in the Hindu-Moslem problem will be considered.

Defence Questions.

The federal structure sub-committee of the Round Table Conference is meeting twice to-day, and the newly-formed defence sub-committee, over which the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, is presiding, is holding its first meeting. To consider questions of political principle relating to defence, other than the strictly constitutional aspects to be considered under the heads of the powers of the Executive and relations with the Crown. It will deal with the much-discussed subject of more rapid induction of the ranks of officers holding the King's, as distinct from the Viceroy's, commissions.

The Late Mohd Ali.

Maulana Mohamed Ali, one of the best-known British Indian delegates to the conference, who died in London yesterday, although ill at the time had travelled 7,000 miles to attend the conference, and referring to his health during his speech at the Plenary Session he told the British delegates they might have to give him a grave.

Several relatives were present when he died, and his embalmed body will be taken to India. He was a great patriot, and was held in personal esteem by his strongest political opponents.—*British Wireless*.

WICKERSHAM REPORT.

OFFICIALLY DESCRIBED AS PREDOMINANTLY DRY.

Washington, Jan. 5. The long-awaited report of the Wickersham Law Enforcement Commission on Prohibition is described in high official quarters as predominantly dry, with the majority of its members conceding little to anti-prohibition views.

The tentative report, which agrees with the views of the majority of the eleven members of the Commission, is completed and contains no recommendation on the subject of beer or wine and does not suggest any major modification of the Volstead Act designed to relax the enforcement of the dry laws.—*Reuter's American Service*.

U.S. EMPLOYMENT.

BREAD QUEUES GROWING LONGER DAILY.

New York, Jan. 5. Bread queues in American cities are growing longer daily. One hundred thousand and wordless people hungrily roam the streets of New York. Communists are actively organising demonstrations of the unemployed in demand for better conditions.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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FAMINE IN SHENSI.

GOVERNOR MAKES AN APPEAL TO NANKING.

Nanking, Jan. 5. A delegation, representing the Shensi Provincial Government, has arrived here with personal letters written by the Shensi Civil Governor addressed to President Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. Wu Han-min soliciting the Nanking Government to proceed immediately with relief work in Shensi, where a serious famine is being experienced. The delegation also brings messages from Mr. Yu Yu-jen, a Nanking envoy sent to Shensi to make investigation concerning famine conditions, describing the pathetic condition of the Shensi populace.

IRAQ OIL SITUATION.

PROTEST AGAINST MONOPOLY BY IRAK COMPANY.

London, Jan. 6. According to the *Daily Herald* "remarkable references to the Iraq oil situation are contained in the report of the Mandates Commission which is being presented to the Council of the League of Nations this month."

The *Daily Herald* asserts that petitions have been submitted to the Commission, notably from the British Oil Development Company protesting against the monopoly now held by the Iraq Petroleum Company.—*Reuter*.

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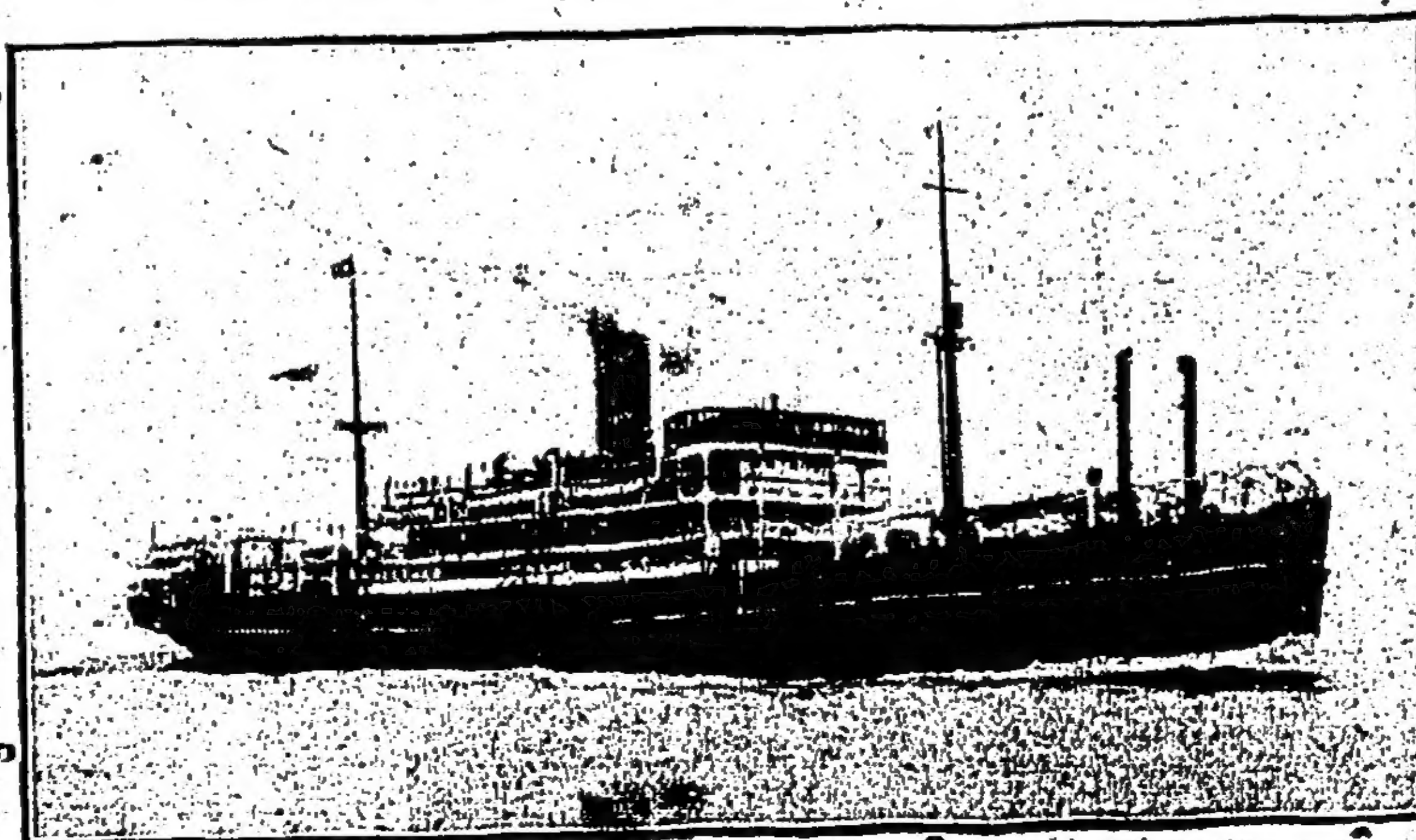
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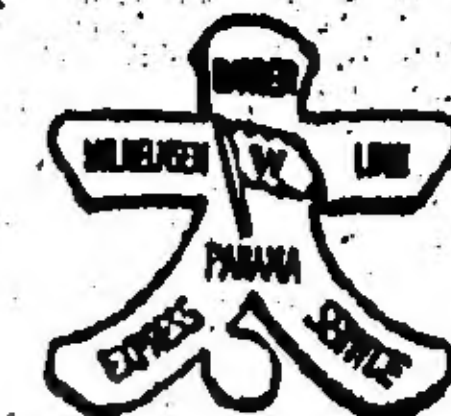


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To accommodate the huge crowd of merry-makers that are expected, both the rose room and the roof garden of the Peninsula will be used as dancing space. The vestibule joining the two has also been enlarged in order to eliminate much of the congestion that occurs there between dances. Two orchestras will be stationed in the balconies over the vestibule.

The Decorations.

Armies of eagles were this morning busy with flags and other paraphernalia with which the two rooms will be converted into the blaze of colour that goes with St. George's Ball. To-night the halls will be a mass of heraldry, bunting, festoons of flowers, halberds and mottoes. At the northern end of the rose room, St. George's with mail and shield will gaze down on the dais where the official party will be stationed. A profusion of flowers will be suspended from the ceiling, while round the walls will be the arms of Bristol, Bath, Plymouth, Worcester, Hastings, Ipswich, Malden, Dunsbury, Lancaster, St. Helena, Cambridge and Guilford, each draped with bunting. The permanent decoration of the rose room needs little more to make it an attractive and tasteful assembly hall.

Passing through more bunting in the vestibule, the roof garden will be decorated on the same lines as the rose room. The walls sport the shields of Birkenhead, Dover, Grantham, Hull, Doncaster, Nottingham, Bournemouth, Shrewsbury, Gravesend, London, Leeds, Wakefield, Northampton, Chatham, Ripon, Winchester, Harrogate, Warrington, Birmingham and Southampton.

An old signboard, "Ye Pig and Whistle," off the rose room indicates that parched throats can be attended to within its gaily-covered walls. The "Illicit Still" and other posters there are touches of a not too dry wit.

Predominant in the dining room on the first floor is the banner of St. George, which will serve as a reminder to the official party at supper.

Official Supper Party.

The official supper party will be as follows:—The President and Mrs. Hallifax; Mr. Hon. Mr. Justice Wood and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. G. C. C. Moxon and Mrs. Alabaster, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., and Mrs. Cressy, Col. R. B. Cousins, D.S.O., and Mrs. Jacks, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., and Mrs. Wolfe, Captain E. J. Macdonald, R.N., D.S.O., and Mrs. Bird, Lt. Col. E. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., and Lady Chow, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and Mrs. Shaw, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw and Mrs. Grayburn, Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mrs. Dyer, Hon. Mr. Sir Shouson Chow and Mrs. Shenton, Mr. William Hughes, C.I.E., and Mrs. Owen Hughes, Mr. B. M. Dyer, C.B.E., and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mrs. Mackie, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Mrs. Swann, Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E., and Mrs. F. C. Wood, Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Marshall, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Hon. Mr. F. Hall and Mrs. Richards, Very Rev. Dean Swann, D.S.C., and Mrs. Beavis, Squadron Leader P. C. Wood and Mrs. Cassidy, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., and Mrs. Bellamy, Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., and Mrs. Johnson, Mr. D. M. Richards and Mrs. Cornell, Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Mrs. Shervell.

The Committees.

Much preparatory work has been done by the various Committees to ensure the success of the function, as well as by Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. G. A. Plummer, Hon. Treasurer. The Committees are as follows:

Invitation and Reception—Mr. E. Pearce (Chairman), Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Mr. G. C. Maxon, Sir William Hornell, C.I.E., Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., Lt. Col. E. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Mr. V. M. Grayburn and Mr. H. B. Dowling.
Decorations—Mr. W. A. Cornell (Chairman), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C., Mr. A. B. Raworth, Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E., Mr. G. C. Wood and Mr. A. W. G. Tickle.
Music and Dancing—Mr. H. B. L. Dowling (Chairman), Mr. T. H. King, Mr. G. W. E. True, Mr. T. H. King, Mr. A. Sommerfeld and Mr. G. Bulmer Johnson.

PRINCESS ROYAL AND JOFFE.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE
IN MOURNING.

KING'S SISTER TO BE BURIED
AT FROGMORE.

WORLD SYMPATHY.

London, Jan. 5.

All flags were flown at half-mast in London to-day as a mark of respect to the Princess Royal, who will probably be buried at Frogmore, near Windsor, during the week-end.

Their Majesties the King and Queen will shortly travel to Frogmore from Sandringham, where they are now in residence.

As already announced, the Court will go into Mourning for a period of six weeks and many official and public functions and entertainments have been cancelled or postponed.

Their Majesties have received messages of condolence from all over the world, including one from President Hindenburg.

Conference Tributes.

Expressions of deep sympathy with the King and members of the Royal Family were voiced by the chairman, Lord Sankey, and members at the morning session of the Federal Structure Sub-Committee of the Round Table Conference.

Lord Sankey and several speakers, representing all sections, also paid tributes to Mahatma Muhammad Ali, a British Indian delegate, whose death occurred on Sunday. It is learned that there will be no alterations in the arrangements for the Prince of Wales's tour of South America, for which he sails from Liverpool on January 15.—*Reuters and British Wireless.*

Marshal Joffre.

Paris, Jan. 5.
Moving scenes were witnessed to-day at the Chapel of the Ecole de Guerre, where the remains of Marshal Joffre are lying in state. The chapel is bedecked with black and silver hangings, regimental flags and a huge silver cross.

Marshal Joffre lay on a camp-bed, covered with the tri-colour and wearing the undress uniform of 1914, a long blue cloak covering the lower part of his body, while his emaciated hands rested on the gold hilt of his sword.

Four officers, with drawn swords, stood at the corners of the catafalque.

Huge Crowds.

The queue at mid-day awaiting entrance to the chapel was estimated at ten thousand.

Many wounded ex-Servicemen sobbed as they saluted the dead Marshal of France, and it is estimated that over fifty thousand persons filed past the body.

Madame Joffre sat for an hour in the balcony overlooking the catafalque almost unnoticed by the crowd.

British Tributes.

London, Jan. 5.

The British press to-day contains numerous expressions of admiration and affection for the late Marshal Joffre. The British representatives at his funeral will include Lord Tyrell, the British Ambassador, representing the King, Field Marshal Lord Allenby and Sir George Milne, representing the British Army and Army Council, Admiral of the Fleet Lord Wester Wemyss and Vice-Admiral Dreyer, representing the Royal Navy, Marshal of the Air Lord Trenchard, Air Chief Marshal Sir John Salmond, and Air Vice-Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, representing the Royal Air Force. Three officers and fifty men of the Brigade of Guards, the Band of the Brigade of Guards, and a detachment of the Royal Air Force will also attend.—*British Wireless.*

Paymaster-Commander E. H. Wetney, O.B.E., who joined the Admiralty on Dec. 9 for temporary duty in the Naval Intelligence Division, has been secretary to Vice-Admiral W. A. Howard Kelly, and is to accompany the Vice-Admiral to China early in the New Year, when he proceeds to take up his appointment as Commander-in-Chief.

Cloak Room.—Mr. F. J. Shervell (Chairman), Mr. J. Thayer, Dr. W. B. A. Moore and Mr. F. H. Crapnell.
Card Room.—Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M.C. (Chairman), Mr. C. Champkin, Mr. H. E. Goldsmith and Mr. R. E. Vassell.
Wines and Supper.—Mr. W. A. Dowley (Chairman), Mr. V. G. Labrum, Mr. G. B. Labrum, Mr. M. G. Marriott, Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. D. Sherman, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. W. W. Hirst, Mr. H. Westlake, Mr. A. M. Thornhill and Mr. E. Stone.

SCOTTISH SOCCER RESULTS.

NO SURPRISES REGISTERED
YESTERDAY.

POSTPONED GAMES.

Half the programme of football matches in Scotland yesterday were postponed, including those in which the leading teams were to have been engaged, thus leaving the positions at the top of both First and Second Divisions unaltered.

In neither Divisions were there any unexpected results, the matches all ending in accordance with form. The scoring in the premier League was on the low side while two teams in the Second gained substantial victories. East Stirlingshire accounted for Dumbarton by no less a margin than seven goals to one, while Forfar scored five times against King's Park.

The full results, as cabled by Reuters, were as follows:

FIRST DIVISION.

Airdrie	—	Hamilton	—
Ayr	3	East Fife	1
Celtic	—	Queen's Park	1
Cowdenbeath	3	Kilmarnock	1
Dundee	1	Hibernians	0
Hearts	3	Aberdeen	2
Leith	2	Clyde	4
Motherwell	—	Falkirk	—
Partick	—	Rangers	—
St. Mirren	—	Morton	—
Postponed.			

League Table.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	22	16	3	3	58	18	35
Celtic	21	14	5	2	60	21	33
Motherwell	23	13	6	4	69	31	32
Partick	23	14	2	7	51	32	30
Hamilton	24	13	3	8	44	29	29
Hearts	24	13	3	8	58	40	29
Dundee	23	13	3	7	47	37	29
Cowdenbeath	24	11	6	8	37	27	27
Aberdeen	25	11	3	11	61	41	25
St. Mirren	23	10	4	9	37	38	24
Morton	23	10	4	9	40	51	24
Airdrie	23	10	3	10	36	45	23
Queen's Park	22	8	10	4	42	20	20
Kilmarnock	24	9	2	13	37	44	20
Clyde	23	7	4	12	41	49	18
Loth	24	6	7	12	29	55	17
Falkirk	23	7	2	14	43	61	16
Hibernians	24	5	4	15	53	69	14
Ayr	22	7	13	27	58	11	11
East Fife	24	2	4	18	26	78	8

SECOND DIVISION.

Alloa	—	Albion	—
Armadale	2	St. Bernard	1
Clydebank	—	Dunfermline	—
E. Stirling	3	Dumbarton	1
Forfar	5	King's Park	1
Montrose	3	Queen's Park	1
Raith R.	—	Ro'ness	—
St. Johnstone	—	Brechin	—
Stenmuir	0	Dunfermline	1
Third Lanark	—	Arbroath	—
Postponed.			

League Table.

Third Lanark	23	17	4	2	65	23	38
Dunfermline	23	16	3	4	60	27	35
Dunfermline U.	22	13	4	5	62	30	30
Montrose	23	13	2	8	48	47	28
E. Stirling	24	12	4	8	52	47	28
St. Johnstone	23	11	5	7	51	30	27
Raith Rovers	23	12	3	8	56	42	27
Albion	22	10	6	8	52	43	25
Dunfermline U.	24	11	3	10	56	42	25
Queen's Park	23	11	3	9	47	40	25
Brechin	21	9	4	8	38	44	22
Arbroath	22	9	3	10	53	51	21
King's Park	22	7	6	9	45	40	20
Alloa	22	8	4	10	32	52	20
Forfar	23	9	3	11	50	52	21
Stenmuir	24	0	12	12	45	63	18
St. Bernard	24	0	5	13	44	61	17
Armadale	25	6	1	18	38	67	13
Bo'ness	23	4	2	17	29	68	10
Clydebank	23	4	1	18	35	78	9

THREW STONE AT A LORRY.

YOUNG LAD CHARGED AT
KOWLOON.

A ten-year-old Eurasian lad, named Arthur Williams, was charged at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, before Mr. Butters, with throwing stones to the danger of Yip Kwai, a coolie foreman, at Austin Road yesterday afternoon.

Evidence was given that the defendant and another boy tried to get on to a lorry in which the complainant was riding, but when some women on the vehicle objected, defendant threw a stone which hit complainant in the face.

Defendant said he was coming from his house in Austin Road at the time, when he saw an Indian boy throw the stone. Complainant arrested him (defendant) by mistake.

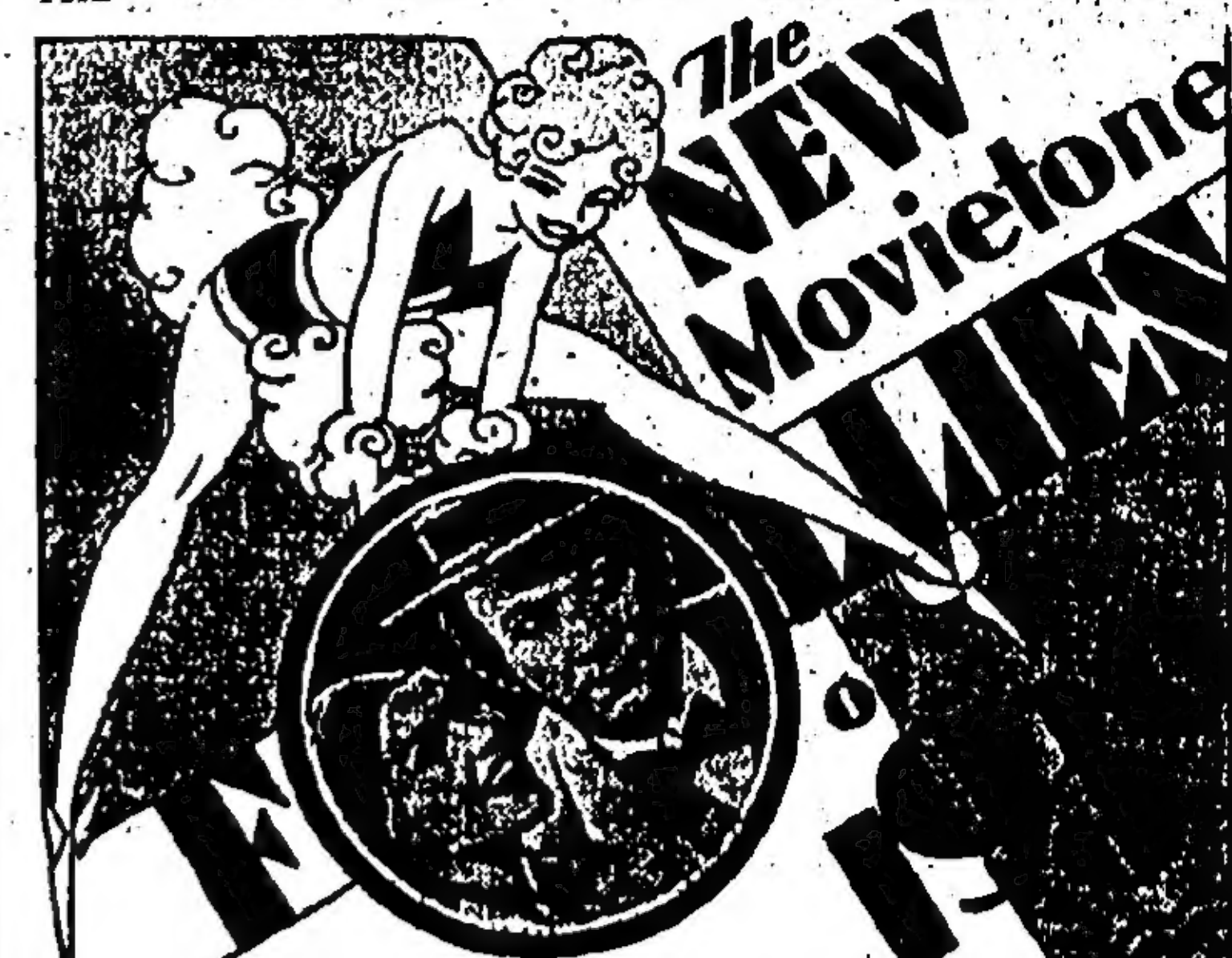
Mrs. Solomon, the defendant's guardian, was bound over in a sum of \$50 to see to the good behaviour of the boy for a period of six months.

FINE WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the typhoon appears to be filling up between 200 and 300 miles E.N.E. of Padaran. A strong anticyclone is central to the north of Korea. The monsoon will freshen along the S.E. coast of China. The local forecast is: —N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy at first, finer later.

AMUSEMENTS OF HONGKONG.

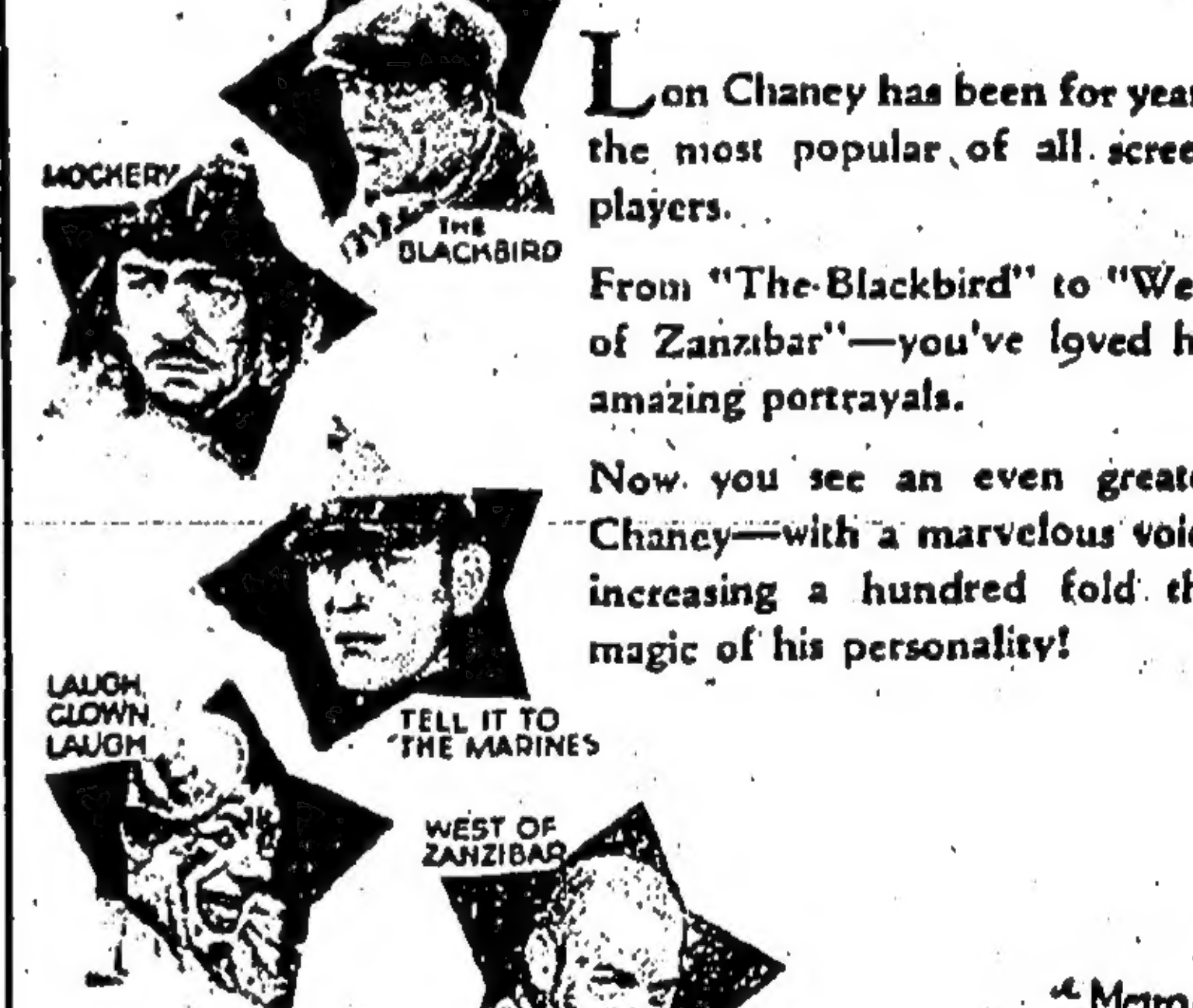
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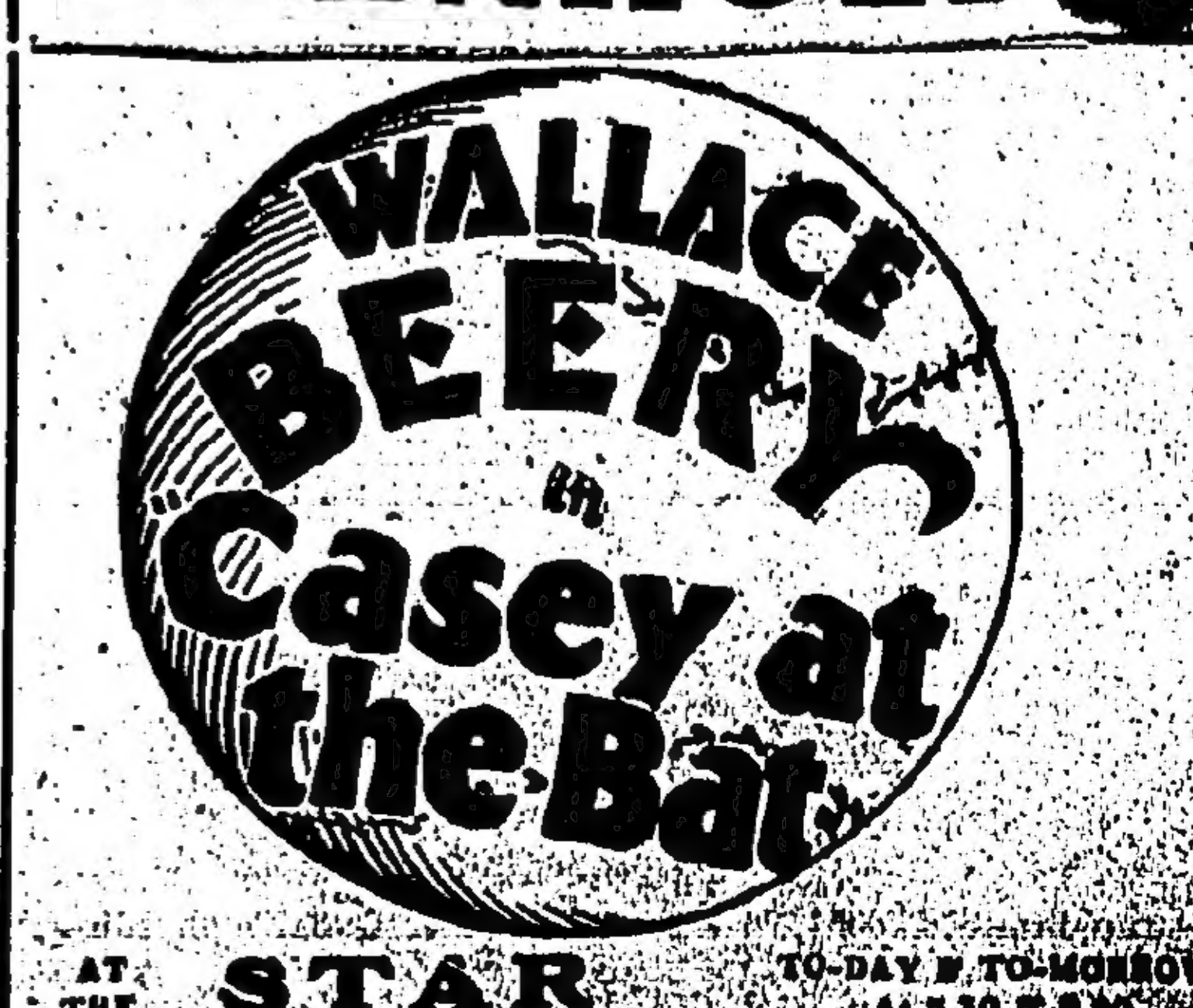
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